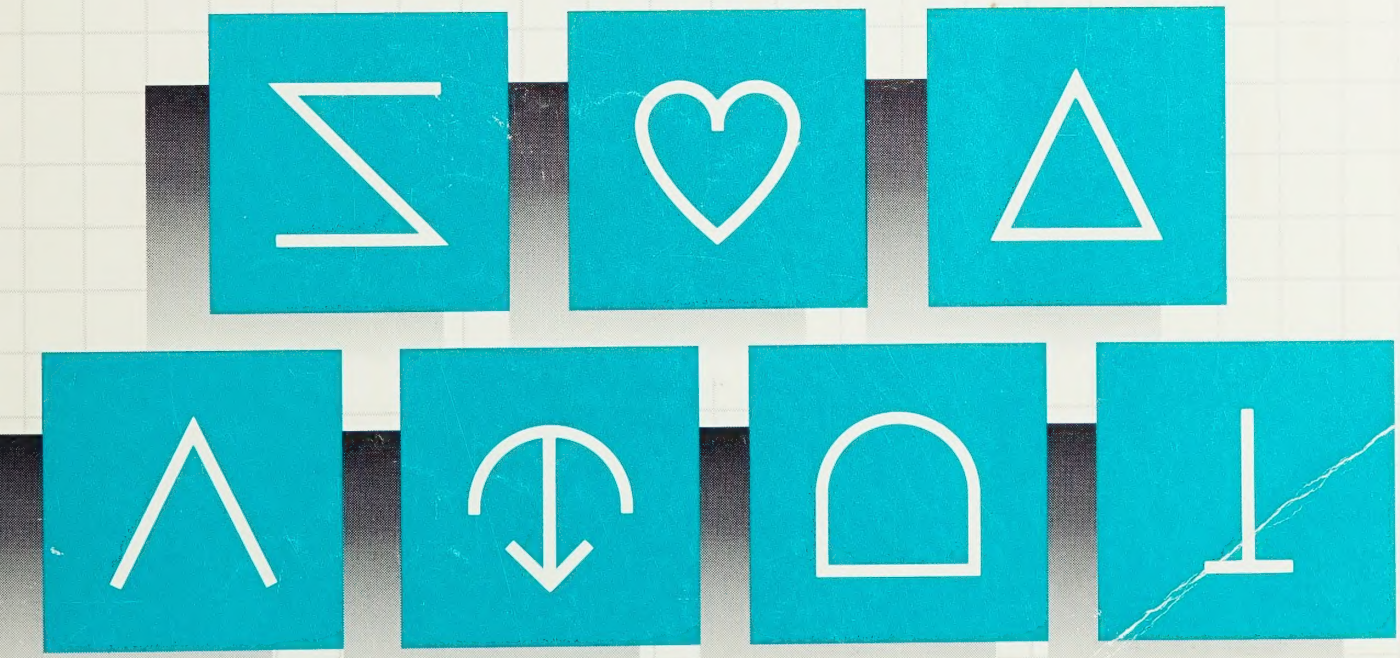
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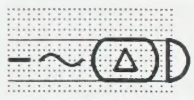
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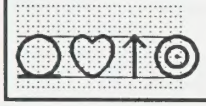
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amenorrhea
(without + menstruation)

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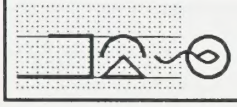
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Chanukah (Hebrew)
(holiday + light: holiday of lights)

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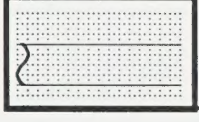
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family planning clinic
(public room + family planning)

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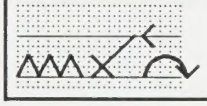
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fire
(symbol looks like a flame, suggesting fire)

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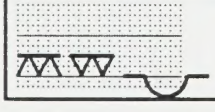
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flea
(insect + to puncture + to jump: jumping insect that punctures the skin)

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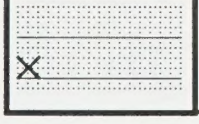
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gopher, ground hog
(rodent + hole: rodent that lives in a burrow underground)

II-8, 10*c*
III-45

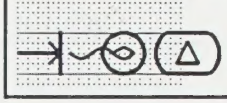
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group of, much/many, quantity
(multiplication [half-sized]: used before another symbol to create a collective or quantitative meaning)

II-57*n*, 70*n*, 84, 131, 132*n*
III-38

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IUD, intra-uterine device
(birth control + uterus)

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Jerusalem Day
(day + city + first) (Israel)

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III-11

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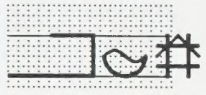
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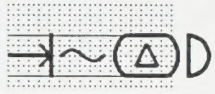
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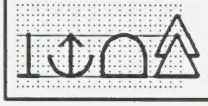
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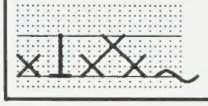
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minister, pastor, preacher, priest, rabbi II-19, 19*n*, 112, 114
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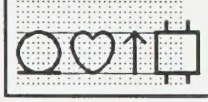
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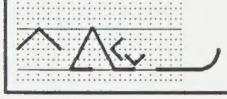
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(holiday + Torah) III-11

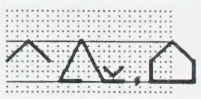
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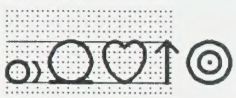
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slipper(s)
(shoe(s) + comma + house: shoe(s) worn mainly indoors)

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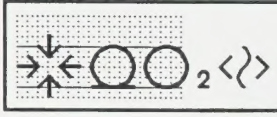
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soufganiya (Hebrew), Chanukah cookie
(disc + Chanukah: traditional sweet eaten at Chanukah)

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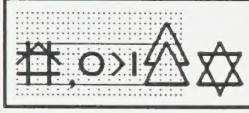
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summer day camp
(gathering + day + summer)

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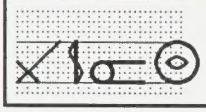
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tallit (Hebrew)
(clothing + comma + to pray + Jewish)

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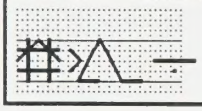
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tubal ligation
(operation + fallopian tube)

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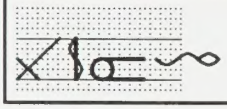
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underpants, briefs, panties
(pants + under)

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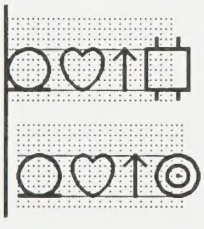
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vasectomy
(operation + vas deferens)

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Simchat Torah
(holiday + Torah)

Chanukah
(holiday + light)

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We dedicate this book to

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and to

their instructors who have recognized the value of Blissymbolics for teaching and learning,

and to

the members of the International Panel on Standards for Blissymbolics, whose dedication to the development of the system is reflected in the more than 900 new Blissymbols that have been added to the vocabulary since the publication of **Blissymbols for Use** (Hehner, 1980, BCI).

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Introduction

Background Information

Blissymbolics is a pictographic, ideographic symbol system originally designed by Charles Bliss over a period of more than forty years. Inspired by the model of ancient Chinese, his system was created to promote international understanding and cooperation by providing a common graphic medium of communication for persons speaking different languages. However, the world came to hear of Blissymbolics as one of the first systems used as a means of augmentative and alternative communication for those unable to communicate by speech. Since its first application in 1971 at the Ontario Crippled Children's Centre, Toronto, Canada, (now the Hugh MacMillan Rehabilitation Centre), Blissymbols have been used as the graphic representational system on many types of communication displays, voice output devices and computers. It has also been used within educational environments to encourage classroom interaction, to provide a structure for learning language, and to promote cognitive development.

Blissymbolics is a generative system which permits and encourages the ongoing development of new vocabulary. The majority of the approximately 2400 symbols in the present BCI Standard Vocabulary presented in this Guide were generated from the 120 Key Symbols listed in the Appendix. Those knowledgeable about the structure of the system can develop additional symbols appropriate to a user's interests, needs, cultural background or cognitive level. This can be accomplished by grouping symbol components into new combinations, while making use of special features of the system set out in the Notes found in Section II. In order to utilize fully the generative capabilities of this system, instructors and users must invest time in learning the logic of Blissymbolics. People around the world who use this system believe that the reward is well worth the effort.

International Panel and System Committee

Although Blissymbolics Communication International (BCI) originated in 1975 (as the Blissymbolics Communication Foundation), it was not until January 1983 that the Board of Directors established a formal structure for adding new symbols to the BCI lexicon. Before this time, BCI staff consulted Charles Bliss and depended upon an arbiter to make final decisions if they could not agree upon suggested new symbols. As more people began to use Blissymbols world-wide, BCI benefited increasingly from the knowledge and experience of users and professionals representing different countries, cultures, language groups and types of disabilities. The Board created the International Panel on Standards for Blissymbolics, an advisory body of more than 60 active volunteers, that submits and examines ideas for new Blissymbols. Following deliberations of the Panel, an independent three-member Symbol Committee must approve each new symbol by majority vote in order for it to be added to the BCI Standard Vocabulary.

For more information contact **Blissymbolics Communication International (BCI)**, 250 Ferrand Drive, Suite 200, Don Mills, Ontario, Canada, M3C 3P2 regarding training, the BCI Affiliate network and current Blissymbol applications — publications, computer software, the BlissTemplate Font and voice-output communication aids with Blissymbolics.

Pending ISO Standard for Blissymbols

Two-byte codes for all the Blissymbols in this Guide have been approved by the Canadian Standards Association (CSA) and approval is pending from the International Standards Organization (ISO) as ISO Standard 2375. Once the standard is approved, a copy of this registration will be obtainable from ISO, 14 rue du Rhône, CH 1204, Geneva, Switzerland.

How to Use the Blissymbol Reference Guide

The **Blissymbol Reference Guide** is designed to serve the needs of a wide range of people who want to look up information about Blissymbols. The Guide is divided into three separate sections: *Finding Symbols by Word, Finding Symbols by Meaning* and *Finding Symbols by Shape*. Readers can find information about every symbol in the Standard Vocabulary in each of the three sections.

Finding Symbols by Word

This section serves as the primary index to the BCI Standard vocabulary. It contains an alphabetical listing of every English gloss for every Blissymbol. This section contains the most comprehensive information about each Blissymbol. This information includes: each Blissymbol positioned on a grid in order to provide guidelines for drawing, the most complete explanation of each Blissymbol, and cross references to other sections of the book.

Finding Symbols by Meaning

In this section symbols are organized by meaning categories according to topics which relate to the elementary school curriculum.

At the beginning of this section is a Section Guide, consisting of three parts. First, there is a Detailed Table of Contents, which lists topics and categories in order of appearance. Second, there is an alphabetical listing of categories. Third, under each category there is an alphabetical list of English glosses.

Notes describing various aspects of the symbol system are provided in this section.

Some charts showing the relation to one another of symbols in selected topics are also provided.

Finding Symbols by Shape

In this section the Blissymbols are ordered according to an alphabet of symbol shapes. Symbols can be located in this section without knowing the word equivalent.

The following pages provide more detailed information about each section and how best to find the information you need.

How to Use Finding Symbols by Word

The symbols in *Finding Symbols by Word* can be located by looking up their glosses — English word equivalent(s) — in an alphabetical list. Because it is expected that readers will use this section most frequently, the most comprehensive information about each symbol is provided here.

Main Entry Format

Blissymbol (on grid) (Heavy Border designates Key Symbol)	• **Most common English word equivalent.** • **Associated synonym(s), if any.** () shows country of origin if usage unfamiliar or different from usage in North America. [(Aus) refers to Australia; (UK) refers to United Kingdom.] • **Explanation of symbol .** Blissymbol components *plus* additional information, if required. () shows country of origin if concept would be unfamiliar to North American users.	**Page References** to other sections. *n refers to note;* c refers to chart.

Sample Main Entries

	**apartment, flat (Aus/UK), unit (Aus)** (house + inside + house: dwelling inside a larger building)	**II**-69 **III**-5
	**book** (pictograph: symbol suggests an open book. It also can be explained as: two **page** symbols.)	**II**-97, 110, 116 **III**-25

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associated synonym	*reference to a common English word equivalent*
item created special features of the system	*reference to Note in which special feature is described*

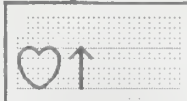
Sample Cross-Reference Entries

above	*see* **over**
agriculture	*see Note p. II-132*

THE EXPLANATIONS OF RELATED BLISSYMBOLS

Many Blissymbols differ from related Blissymbols only in their use of different indicators. In these cases the derivation of forms which use indicators often refer to the unmarked form. The indicator is always listed as the last component. Its actual position within the symbol is shown in the Blissymbol itself.

Sample Entries

UNMARKED FORM	 **happiness, fun, joy, pleasure** (feeling + up: uplifted feeling)	**II**-45 **III**-3
MARKED FORM	 **enjoy (to)** (happiness + action indicator)	**II**-50 **III**-3
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THE CLASSIFICATION OF BLISSYMBOLS

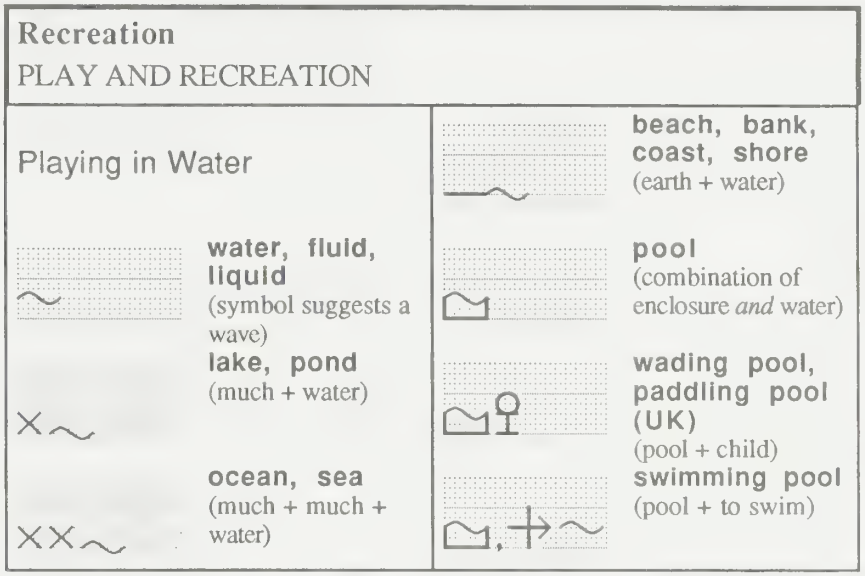
BCI Training publications such as **Communicating with Blissymbolics** (McNaughton, 1985, BCI) and **Blissymbolics Independent Study Guide** (McNaughton, 1985, BCI) classify Blissymbols as *pictographic, ideographic, dual classification.* and *arbitrary.* See Note p. **II**-107. **Blissymbol Reference Guide** identifies only *pictographic* symbols in the symbol explanations.

How to Use Finding Symbols by Meaning

WHY THIS SECTION IS USEFUL

Finding Symbols by Meaning groups symbols according to topics.An example is shown below:

Sample Entry (Partial)



- Topic headings and sub-headings provide vocabulary lists to enable instructors to develop themes or special projects.
- Symbols grouped under a particular heading or subheading frequently have a common classifying symbol, e.g., **water,** which makes them easy to teach and to learn. Using the classifiers, instructors can highlight semantic relationships between words to enhance language development.
- One Blissymbol can represent several related words as shown by the associated word synonyms. The explanation of each symbol frequently defines these words for students, e.g., **(to) hug**, **(to) embrace** (arm + around + action indicator), and reinforces their conceptual understanding.

[Note that the entries in this section are abbreviated compared to their counterparts in Section I due to space limitations. In order to obtain the full explanation, refer to Section I.]

FINDING SYMBOLS IN THIS SECTION

The symbols in the **Finding Symbols by Meaning** section are arranged in major categories and a number of subcategories as listed in the Detailed Table of Contents at the beginning of this Section.

To locate symbols in this section:

1. look up the English word equivalent in *Finding Symbols by Word*. Use the page references on the right (e.g., **II**-64, 72) to find the location(s) of this symbol in *Finding Symbols by Meaning*.
2. think of the most obvious category (from those listed in the Detailed Table of Contents at the beginning of this section or the Alphabetical List of Categories on page II-iii) where the symbol might be located — e.g., **computer** is found in *Things We Need/Machines, Living Together/Communication/Communicating with Blissymbolics* and *Living Together/Recreation/ Pastimes*. Each symbol in the system appears one or more times in *Finding Symbols by Meaning*.

The third part of the Section Guide at the beginning of **Finding Symbols by Meaning** is a list containing Glosses Listed Alphabetically within Meaning Categories. This allows one to see at a glance how many words relating to a particular meaning category have Blissymbols.

NOTES

A special feature in the *Finding Symbols by Meaning* section is the series of Notes that explain more about the structure and meaning of various Blissymbols than can be included in the abbreviated descriptions. Notes also include quotations from Charles K. Bliss (CKB) and give the reader a sense

of his philosophy. His original publication, **Semantography** (1965), which provides the foundation for the **Blissymbol Reference Guide**, can be purchased from BCI or Semantography Trust Fund, 13 Warrington Ave. EPPING, NSW 2121, Australia. An alphabetical listing of the notes is given here:

Action Indicators II-30
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Use of the Comma II-66
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CHARTS

Yet another feature of this section is a set of seven charts showing the relation to one another of symbols in selected topics. A list of the seven charts is given below.

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Feelings I II-46
Feelings II to one another II-47
Feelings II II-48
Feelings IV II-49
Fruits II-62
Vegetables II-64

How to Use Finding Symbols by Shape

WHY THIS SECTION IS USEFUL

The symbols in *Finding Symbols by Shape* are arranged by their graphic shapes accompanied by their English word equivalent(s) and most associated synonyms. This section is useful if the reader is presented with an unfamiliar symbol that has no accompanying word(s) or words written in an unfamiliar language. For example, Blissymbol users from one country can exchange letters with users having different languages and use *Finding Symbols by Shape* to look up unfamiliar symbols.

Peter A. Reich, Professor of Linguistics at the University of Toronto, assisted by Barbara Brunson, corrected and refined the coding scheme presented in **Blissymbols for Use** (Hehner, 1980). Following the coding scheme Blissymbols are grouped semantically with the unmarked form (without an indicator) appearing first, followed by related marked forms (with indicator(s)). The reader can easily see semantic relationships and how compound symbols are derived from simpler forms.

Using this scheme, all new Blissymbols added to the system are coded, and a computer program integrates them into symbol-alphabetical order. For more detailed information about the alphabetical coding scheme, please contact BCI or Professor Reich, Linguistics Department, University of Toronto .

FINDING SYMBOLS IN THIS SECTION

Symbols in this section are arranged in an Alphabet of Shapes. This is an "alphabetic" ordering, just like that in Section I, except that the "alphabet" consists of shapes instead of letters. As children we memorized the alphabetic sequence of letters used to spell words in our native language. The sequence that corresponds to this in this section is a sequence of different **shapes**. One need not memorize the Alphabet of Shapes to use this section, as this is given in the header of every page. The place in the Alphabet of Shapes which describes the first symbol on the page is indicated by the black rectangle in the header:

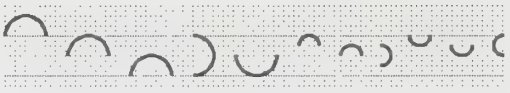


Experience has shown that most readers do not need to know the detailed coding scheme in order to locate an unknown symbol. By knowing the first component of a compound symbol, the reader can quickly scan the list of related symbols to find the one that is needed.

The coding scheme used in the *Finding Symbols by Shape* section provides BCI and its international Affiliates with a common ordering of Blissymbols. This facilitates translation and sharing of Blissymbol materials. In the past **Blissymbols for Use** and Blissymbol stamps for creating communication displays were developed in Canada and translated by Affiliates into other languages.

ORDERING WITHIN THE ALPHABET OF SHAPES

Most basic shapes have variations based on size, orientation, and position relative to the baseline. In addition, some basic shapes have minor variations in the shape itself (e.g., # #). These variations are listed in the order in which they occur in the banner boxes that also appear on every page:

Half Circles 

In any dictionary of a language using a variant of the Roman alphabet, the most important letter is the first (leftmost) letter of the word. Similarly, in this section the most important shape is the first (leftmost) shape. Thus ≀♡↑ (bonfire) comes before ♡≀ (want) because ≀ (wavy line) comes before ♡ (heart) in the alphabet of basic shapes. As in other dictionaries, if two words have the same first letter, then the order in which they appear is determined by the second letter. Accordingly ♡≀ (want) comes before ♡↑ (happy) because ≀ (wavy line) comes before ↑ (arrow) in the alphabet of basic shapes.

Symbol shapes are more complex than traditional orthography, because symbol components can have different variations (e.g., # #), be in different sizes (e.g., □▫), be in different vertical positions (e.g., °o°o), be in different orientations (e.g., ↑→↓←), be in different horizontal positions (e.g., o←→), they can be completely superimposed (e.g., ▣), they can overlap (e.g., ⚮), or they can touch (e.g., ∞).

The details of the ordering of Blissymbols in this section are somewhat complex. The ordering is based upon a small set of principles as to which types of variation are more important.

Type of Variation	Order
Basic shape	≀♡#⌂)↑⊛○∘◠◜)□▯⊓⌐◬·^⊥+△∧↘_\|//?
Variations of shape	Basic shapes precede variants (e.g., # #).
Size	Extended; large; small; indicator-sized (e.g., ___ - - -)
Orientation	Clockwise, starting with 12 o'clock (e.g., ↑→↓←).
Vertical position	High (above the skyline) to low (below the earthline) (e.g., °o°o).
Degree of Superimposition	No superimposition; completely superimposed; overlapping; touching (e.g., □▫ ▣ ⚮ ∞).

Pointers Pointers are ignored until all the other components of the symbol are considered. Thus, even if a pointer is the left-most component of a symbol, look for that symbol as if there were no pointer. Then the rule is: symbols without pointers come before otherwise identical symbols with pointers. Where two symbols both have pointers and identical shapes, they are ordered by the orientation and position of their pointers, according to the other rules in this list.

Indicators Indicators in isolation are alphabetized by shape. Symbols containing indicators are ordered as follows: no indicator; plural; thing; thing plural; action; passive; evaluation before the fact; evaluation; evaluation after the fact.

When symbol components are superimposed, the rules become more complex. There are three basic principles:

1. Whenever one component surrounds another look up the symbol under the larger shape. For example, the symbol  is found under squares rather than small circles.
2. Whenever one component is higher than another, the higher component takes precedence over the lower component. Thus  is found under horizontal lines rather than under wheels.
3. Whenever one component overlaps or touches another, the left-most component takes precedence. Thus  is found under small circles rather than ears.

Sometimes there is more than one way to break a complex symbol into component parts. For example,  and  can each be thought of as either a short vertical line and a small open square or a long vertical line and a right angle. Two rules apply: 1) When two ways of splitting a symbol lead to different numbers of parts, choose the way that leads to the fewest parts; 2) Where two or more ways of splitting a symbol lead to the same number of parts, choose the way that puts the symbol earlier in the alphabetical ordering. Thus the former is found under long vertical lines, because long vertical lines precede short vertical lines, but the latter is found under open squares, because open squares precede right angles.

While these principles may seem complex, the order of symbols can usually be determined without detailed analysis by referring to the symbol sequence given in the header and the further breakdown given in the banner boxes on every page of this section.

Section I
FINDING Symbols by WORD

Conventions Used in this Book

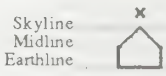
[modified]	The form [modified] appears in the explanations of symbols in which certain components are incomplete.		**self** (1 + person [modified])		**explosive** (thing + four arrows [modified])
combination of	The form *combination of* appears in explanations of *compound* symbols when symbol components overlap, and some do not appear as complete forms.		**life** (combination of sun *and* person: energy produced by the sun supports life on earth)		**adult** (combination of flower *and* big: CKB suggests that an adult is a person reaching "full flower")
[half-sized] [quarter-sized]	This form appears in symbol explanations when a symbol component has been altered in size.		**food** (mouth + earth [half-sized]: what the mouth gets from the earth)		**indicator (past action)** (past [quarter-sized]: placed above another symbol to indicate past action)
[contraction]	The form [contraction] appears when a *compound symbol* has been contracted and used as a component in another symbol.		**sport** (activity + healthy)		**basketball** (sport [contraction] + ball + container, placed high in symbol space)
CKB	To save space in symbol descriptions, references to the writings of Charles K. Bliss are abbreviated CKB.		**adult** (combination of flower *and* big: CKB suggests that an adult is a person reaching "full flower")		**white** (colour + sun: CKB says the sun is white during the day.)
(Aus) (UK) (Hebrew) or (Hel	Words associated with symbols use North American English except where noted.		**mailbox, letterbox (Aus), postbox (UK)** (enclosure + letter)		**matzo (Hebrew)** (bread + low)
27*c*	Page numbers followed by *c* refer to symbols found on Charts.	13*n*	Page numbers followed by *n* refer to symbols found in Notes.		

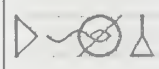
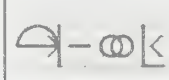
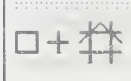
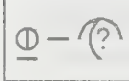
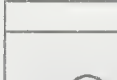
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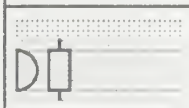
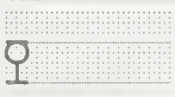
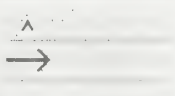
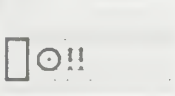
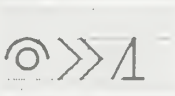
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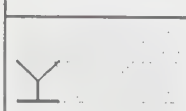
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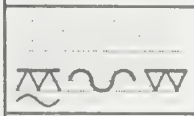
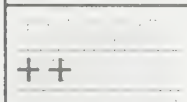
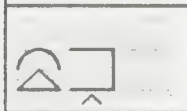
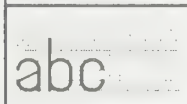
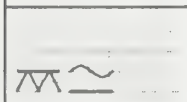
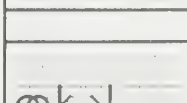
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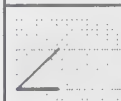
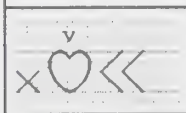
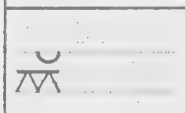
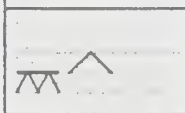
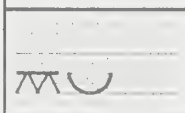
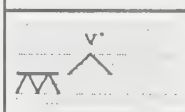
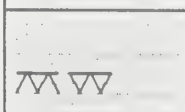
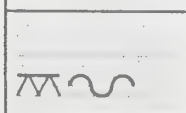
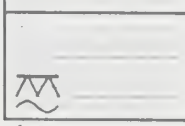


	**a, an, any** (diagonal line suggests an index finger pointing at something unspecific. The diagonal line has the opposite orientation to the one used in **the**, **this** and **that**.)	II-125 III-53
	**ability, capability, capacity, potential** (dot + evaluation: evaluation beforehand of one's potential to do something)	II-33 III-31
	**abortion (induced)** (to cause + miscarriage)	II-27 III-30
	abortion (spontaneous) *see* **miscarriage**	
	**about, concerning, in relation to, of, on** (relation [half-sized], pointing forward: used to mean **on** when the symbol refers to time, e.g. *on* Wednesday)	II-49*c*, 125 III-35
	above *see* **over**	
	abrupt *see* **suddenly**	
	abruptly *see* **suddenly**	
	absorb (to) *see* **enter (to)**	
	**absorbent material, sponge** (material + into)	II-24 III-26
	**abstinence** (to decide + without + sexual intercourse)	II-27 III-18
	**abuse, assault, violence** (force + intensity)	II-28 III-32
	**accessory** (thing + plus + clothing: something added to one's clothing)	II-55 III-25
	**accident** (event + without + to expect: unexpected event)	II-102, 109 III-16
	**account** (paper [modified] + container: written (financial) record of something held)	II-105 III-49
	accurate *see* **correct**	
	**ache** (pain + to continue: pain that goes on and on)	II-52, 108 III-3
	acid *see* **sharp**	
	**acne** (many + pimple)	II-108 III-38
	acquire (to) *see* **get (to)**	
	**across** (a vertical line with two horizontal lines [half sized] across it: CKB says this is a small road crossing a main road)	II-91, 126 III-37
	act *see* **action**	
	act (to) *see* **do (to)**	

	**action, act, activity, deed** (The Action [half-sized])	II-32, 35 III-40
	action indicator *see* **indicator (action)**	
	**Action (The)** (symbol suggests the shape of a volcano cone, which CKB says represents "one of the primeval actions of our earth". **The Action** [full-sized], is used primarily as the source of **action** [half-sized])	II-32, 35, 130 III-40
	**active, actively** (action + description indicator)	II-32, 35 III-40
	active indicator *see* **indicator (active)**	
	actively *see* **active**	
	activity *see* **action**	
	**Adar (Hebrew)** (month + megillah: month of Purim)	II-89 III-49
	**add (to), gain (to)** (addition + action indicator)	II-41, 83 III-37
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	**animal (marsupial), kangaroo** (animal + pouch)	**II**-8 **III**-44
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	**animal (water)** (animal + water)	**II**-7, 10*c* **III**-45



animal (wild)
(animal + open: untamed animal that lives in the open)
II-8, 9*n*
III-44



ankle
(kneeling person + pointer, to ankle joint)
II-20
III-50



anniversary
(year + again: occasion that comes again every year)
II-115
III-9

annul (to) *see* **destroy (to)**

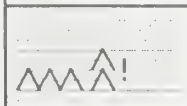
another *see* **different**



answer, reply
(question + enclosure: an answer "closes" a question)
II-41, 95
III-25



answer (to), reply (to)
(answer + action indicator)
II-41, 95, 111
III-25



ant
(insect + work + intensity: industrious insect)
II-12
III-41

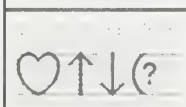
anticipate (to) *see* **expect (to)**

anticipation *see* **expectation**

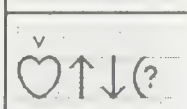
antlers *see* **horns**



anus
(opening + buttocks)
II-21
III-28



anxiety
(upset + future + question mark: upset about an uncertain future)
II-45, 46*c*
III-3



anxious, anxiously
(anxiety + description indicator)
II-51, 46*c*
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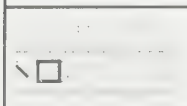
any *see* **a**; *see also* **some**

anybody *see* **anyone**



anyone, anybody, somebody, someone
(any + person)
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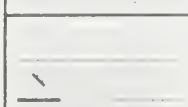
anyplace *see* **anywhere**



anything, something
(any + thing)
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anytime, sometime
(any + time)
II-87, 125
III-53

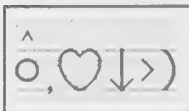
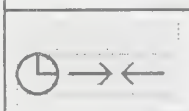
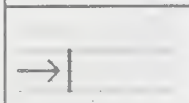
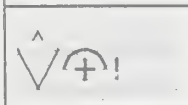
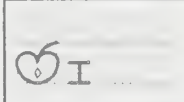
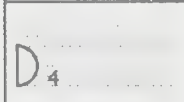
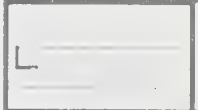
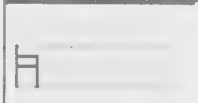


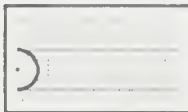
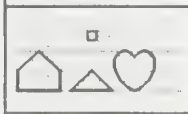
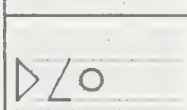
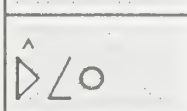
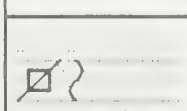
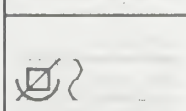
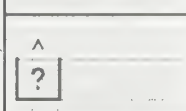
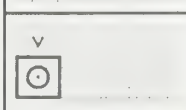
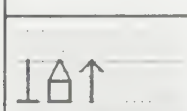
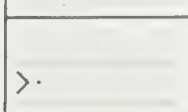
anywhere, anyplace, someplace, somewhere
(combination of any *and* place)
II-91, 125
III-53

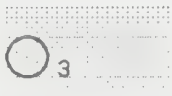
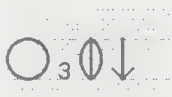
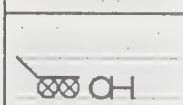


apartment, flat (Aus/UK), unit (Aus)
(house + inside + house: dwelling inside a larger building)
II-69
III-5

ape *see* **monkey**

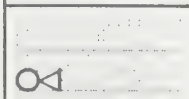
	**apologize (to), regret (to express) (Hebrew)** (to speak + comma + to regret + action indicator)	II-94 III-13
	appetizing *see* **tasty**	
	**apple** (pictograph with stem)	II-61, 62*c* III-20
	appliance *see* **machine**	
	**appointment** (time + to meet: time agreed upon for a meeting)	II-29, 90, 108, 123 III-12
	**approach** (forward + reference line: advancing arrow approaches the line but does not reach it)	II-35, 92, 93*n*, 102*n* III-7
	approach (to) *see* **come (to)**	
	**approve (to)** (evaluation + correct + action indicator: to evaluate as correct or good in a rational sense)	II-39 III-40
	**apricot** (pictograph with stem + pit + small)	II-61, 62*c* III-20
	**April** (month + 4: fourth month of the year)	II-89 III-49
	**apron, coverall, smock, overall** (protection + clothing: protective covering worn over other clothing)	II-55, 68 III-33
	**architect** (person + to plan + building: person who designs buildings)	II-19 III-36
	are *see* **be (to)**	
	area *see* **place**	
	**argue (to), dispute (to), quarrel (to)** (argument + action indicator)	II-94 III-13
	**argument, dispute, quarrel** (discussion + intensity)	II-94 III-13
	arithmetic *see* **mathematics**	
	**arm** (pictograph: symbol suggests an arm bent upward)	II-20 III-32
	**armchair** (pictograph: symbol suggests a chair with support added for the arm)	II-72 III-49
	**army** (group + war: group trained for war)	II-18, 107 III-38

	**around** (curved line + dot: half circle is *around* the dot)	II-91, 126 III-31
	arrange (to) *see* **organize (to)**	
	arrival *see* **end**	
	arrive (to) *see* **stop (to)**	
	**arrow (bent)** (pictograph)	II-86, 92 III-8
	**art** (man-made + feeling: process of making or producing something that inspires emotion in the beholder)	II-98, 111 III-29
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	**artificial insemination** (aid + medical + conception)	II-27 III-52
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	ascend (to) *see* **rise (to)**	
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	**ashtray** (container + ashes)	II-72 III-26
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	assault *see* **abuse**	
	assemble (to) *see* **gather (to)**	
	assembly *see* **gathering**; *see also* **meeting**	
	assessment *see* **test**	
	assist (to) *see* **help (to)**	
	assistance *see* **help**	
	assistant *see* **helper**	
	**astronaut, cosmonaut** (person + rocket: person who goes up in a rocket)	II-1, 18 III-36
	**at** (position [half-sized])	II-91, 93*n*, 125 III-35

	at a distance *see* **away**	
	at last *see* **finally**	
	atmosphere *see* **air**	
	**atom** (pictograph of an atom with inner nucleus + pointer showing the movement of a circling electron)	II-77 III-9
	attach (to) *see* **fasten (to)**	
	**attack (of illness)** (illness + limited time)	II-108 III-34
	attempt (to) *see* **try (to)**	
	**attention** (eye + two intensity symbols: using the eyes intently)	II-52, 78, 96 III-14
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	**August** (month + 8: eighth month of the year)	II-89 III-49
	**aunt** (sister + parent: the sister of one's father or mother)	II-17 III-34
	automobile *see* **car**	
	**autumn, fall** (sun + 3: third season) (CKB) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-90 III-10
	**autumn, fall** (sun + 3 + leaf + down: third season when the leaves fall) (BCI) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-90 III-10
	**Av (Hebrew)** (month + to destroy + temple: month of the Tisha B'Av)	II-89 III-49
	**avocado** (pictograph with stem + pit)	II-61, 62*c* III-23
	**awake** (eye + open + description indicator: state one is in when one's eyes are open)	II-23 III-28
	**away, at a distance, off** (reference line [half-sized] + arrowhead: full square between reference line and arrowhead emphasizes distance. This symbol is a simplified form of **departure**.)	II-92, 126 III-51
	**baby, infant** (child, turned on its side: child too young to stand)	II-14 III-17
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	**baby carriage, buggy, pram, pushchair (UK), stroller** (wagon + baby: carriage for a baby)	II-100 III-53



baby clinic
(clinic + baby)
II-71, 108
III-28



baby girl
(girl, turned on her side: girl too young to stand)
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III-17

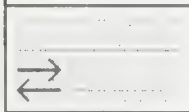


baby sitter
(person + to protect + child: person who cares for a child)
II-18, 114
III-36



back
(standing person + pointer, to back)
II-13*n*, 21
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back *see* **backward**



back and forth, backward and forward, to and fro
(backward + forward)
II-36, 93, 126
III-7



backpack, rucksack
(sack + back)
II-55
III-50



back up (to)
(backward + action indicator)
II-36, 92
III-8

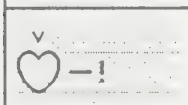


backward, back
(arrow, pointing backward)
II-36, 92, 102*n*, 126
III-8

backward and forward *see* **back and forth**



bacon
(pork + linear thing + thing indicator: pork in strips)
II-58
III-16



bad, wrong
(feeling + negative + description indicator: felt to be negative or bad in an emotional sense) See also: **immoral** *and* **incorrect**
II-43*n*, 47*c*, 51, 65, 85*n*
III-4



badge
(pictograph: symbol is shaped like a badge)
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III-29

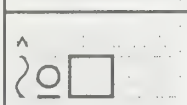


badminton
(sport [contraction] + ball + wings: game played with a feathered shuttlecock)
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III-41

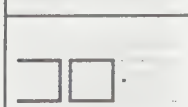
bag *see* **sack**



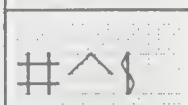
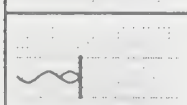
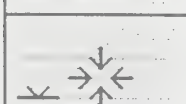
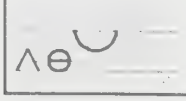
baggage, luggage, suitcase
(pictograph)
II-55, 102
III-20

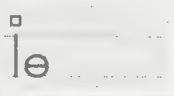


bake (to), cook (to) (Aus), roast (to)
(to cook + enclosure + action indicator: to cook inside an enclosure e.g. oven)
II-67
III-1

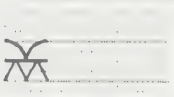


balcony, porch, veranda
(room + outside)
II-71
III-27

	**ball** (pictograph: symbol suggests a small stitched ball)	**II**-120, 121 **III**-17
	**balloon** (pictograph)	**II**-107*n*, 120 **III**-9
	**banana** (pictograph with stem: crescent-shaped fruit suggesting a banana)	**II**-61 **III**-23
	**band, orchestra** (group + musical instrument)	**II**-18, 99 **III**-38
	**bandage, dressing** (cloth + protection + medical)	**II**-109 **III**-5
	**bank** (building + money)	**II**-69, 105, 114 **III**-5
	bank *see* **beach**	
	**bar, pub** (public room + alcoholic drink)	**II**-71, 105, 124 **III**-28
	barbecue (to) *see* **broil (to)**	
	barbeque (Aus) *see* **bonfire**	
	**barber, hairdresser** (person + hair)	**II**-18, 114 **III**-36
	**barber shop, beauty shop** (public room + hair)	**II**-24, 71, 105, 114 **III**-28
	**barn, stable, shed (Aus)** (building + animal: building for animals)	**II**-12, 69, 103, 124 **III**-6
	**barrier contraceptive** (combination of to stop *and* sperm)	**II**-27 **III**-2
	base *see* **bottom**	
	**baseball** (sport [contraction] + ball + baseball diamond + pointer, to a base: ball game played on a diamond)	**II**-121 **III**-41
	**base camp** (place + to gather)	**II**-107 **III**-45
	basin *see* **sink**	
	bassinet (Aus) *see* **carry cot (UK)**	
	**basketball** (sport [contraction] + ball + container, placed high in symbol space: game in which a ball is tossed into a high basket)	**II**-121, 122*n* **III**-41



bat
(linear thing + ball + thing indicator: linear thing used to hit a ball)
II-121
III-48



bat
(animal + wings: flying animal)
II-8
III-22

bath (UK) *see* **sink**

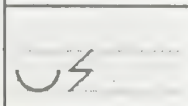
bathe (to) *see* **wash (to)**

bathing suit *see* **swimsuit**



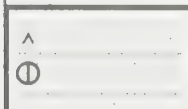
bathroom, washroom
(room + bath)
II-24, 71
III-27

bathtub *see* **sink**



battery
(container + electricity: receptacle that stores and generates electricity)
II-73, 74, 77, 101, 118
III-20

battle *see Note p. II-132*



be (to), am, are, exist (to), is
(to live [half-sized] + action indicator: the "little meaning" of to live) See Note p. II-30.
II-29, 30*n*
III-16

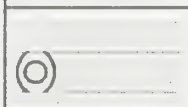
be able (to) *see* **can**



beach, bank, coast, shore
(earth + water: place where land touches water)
II-2, 6, 6*n*, 120, 123
III-46



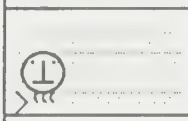
beach tennis
(tennis + beach)
II-121
III-41



bean
(pictograph: cross section of bean in a pod)
II-63, 64*c*
III-23

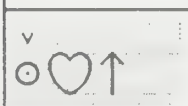


bear
(animal + pictograph of a bear's head)
II-8
III-44



beard
(face + hair + pointer, to beard)
II-20
III-11

beast *see* **animal**

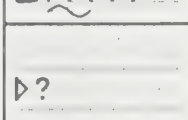


beautiful, attractive, good-looking, handsome, pretty
(eye + happy + description indicator: pleasing to the eye)
II-23, 46*c*
III-14

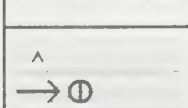
beauty shop *see* **barber shop**



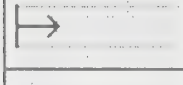
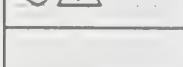
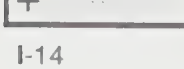
beaver
(combination of water animal *and* rodent: + pictograph of tail: large, flat-tailed rodent that makes its home in water)
II-7, 10*c*
III-22

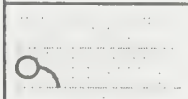
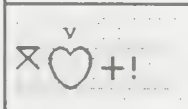
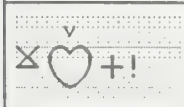
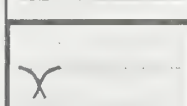
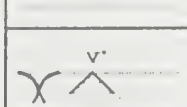


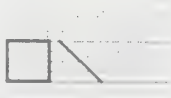
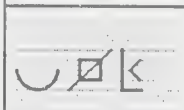
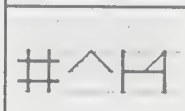
because
(cause [half-sized] + question mark. CKB points out that this symbol is the reverse of **why**, and reminds us that the question mark remains to show that not all answers beginning with "because" are complete or satisfactory.)
II-125
III-30

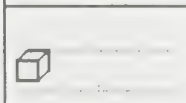
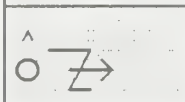
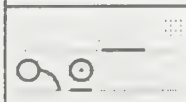
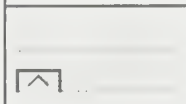


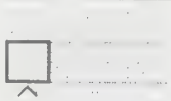
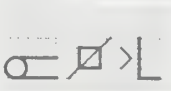
become (to)
(to advance + to be + action indicator: to come to be)
II-29
III-7

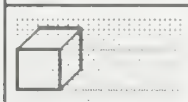
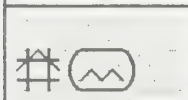
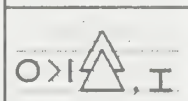
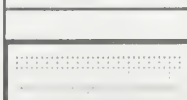
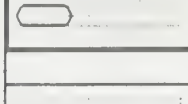
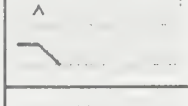
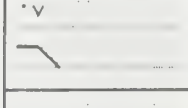
	**bed** (pictograph: symbol suggests a bed with a pillow at the head)	II-72 III-49
	bedclothes *see* **sheet**	
	bed linen *see* **sheet**	
	**bedroom** (room + to sleep)	II-71 III-27
	**bee** (insect + wings + flower: flying insect that obtains nectar and pollen from flowers)	II-12 III-21
	**beef** (food + bovine: food that comes from a steer or cow. The symbol also can be explained as: combination of meat *and* bovine)	II-58 III-16
	**beer** (alcoholic drink + gas: alcoholic drink that has bubbles or foam)	II-65 III-34
	**beet** (vegetable (large-leafed) + red: vegetable with a red, edible root)	II-63, 64*c* III-23
	**beetle** (insect + pictograph of wing cases [hard shell])	II-12 III-19
	**before, in front of, prior to** (dot + reference line: the dot comes before the reference line. This symbol refers to both time and space.)	II-87, 91, 125 III-31
	**begin (to), start (to)** (beginning + action indicator)	II-33, 35, 92 III-48
	**beginning, start** (reference line + forward: advancing arrow begins at the reference line)	II-35, 92, 102*n* III-48
	**behaviour** (action + creature + thing indicator: action of a living being)	II-29 III-41
	behind *see* **after**	
	being *see* **creature**	
	belch (to) *see* **burp (to)**	
	**belief** (feeling + truth [contraction]: what one feels to be true, without needing proof)	II-45, 49*c*, 112 III-4
	**believe (to)** (belief + action indicator)	II-41, 49*c*, 50, 112 III-4
	**bell** (thing + 1 + musical note: thing with one musical note)	II-99 III-26
	**belongs to, of (possessive), possessive (the)** (addition [half-sized] with the crossbar located on the earthline) See Note p. II-6.	II-6*n*, 126, 131 III-37

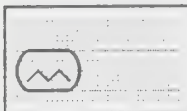
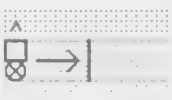
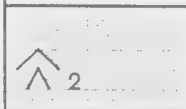
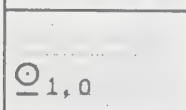
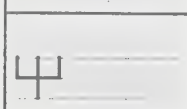
	below *see* **under**	
	**belt, sash** (linear thing + waist + thing indicator: linear thing worn at the waist)	II-55 III-48
	**bench, pew** (seat + long)	II-72 III-49
	berakah *see* **bracha**	
	**berry** (pictograph: symbol suggests a berry with a curved stem, in the position it would have if protruding from a bush)	II-5, 61, 62*c* III-17
	**best** (most + good + description indicator)	II-47*c*, 51 III-46
	best of luck *see* **mazel tov**	
	**better** (more + good + description indicator)	II-23, 47*c*, 51 III-37
	**between** (two reference lines + dot, between them)	II-91 III-48
	beverage *see* **drink**	
	**beyond, past** (outside + limits + description indicator)	II-91, 126 III-24
	**bib** (protection + chest: protective covering for the upper body)	II-55, 57*n*, 68 III-33
	**bicycle** (2 + wheel: two wheeled cycle)	II-100, 119 III-55
	**big, large** (vertical line bounded by two horizontal reference lines [half-sized] + description indicator: the vertical line extends to the biggest possible size within the symbol square) See also: **little**.	II-23, 85 III-46
	**bindi, tika** (dot + colour + forehead: spot worn on the forehead of Hindu women) (India)	II-25 III-31
	**bird** (pictograph: symbol suggests the wings and feet of a bird)	II-11 III-21
	**bird (domestic)** (bird + protection: bird that is cared for in a domestic setting)	II-11 III-21
	**bird (protected)** (bird + protection + description after the fact indicator)	II-11 III-21
	**bird (water)** *see* **duck** (bird + water: aquatic bird)	II-11 III-21

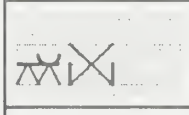
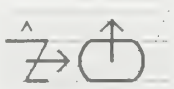
	**bird (wild)** (bird + open: untamed bird that lives in the open)	II-11 III-21
	**birth** (baby + body + downward [modified]) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-27 III-23
	**birth** (protection (roof) + star: someone new under the roof. CKB points out that newspapers often use a star to denote a birth.) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-29 III-34
	**birth control** (to stop + conception)	II-27 III-8
	**birth control pill, Pill (the)** (pill + without + egg: pill that prevents the release of an egg)	II-27 III-17
	**birthday** (day + birth: day of one's birth)	II-115 III-11
	biscuit *see* **cookie**	
	bison *see* **buffalo**	
	bit *see* **part**	
	**bite (to)** (teeth + action indicator)	II-58 III-39
	**bitter** (taste + down + description indicator: unpleasant taste)	II-65, 79 III-15
	**black** (colour + night) (BCI) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-81 III-14
	**black** (colour + zero: the absence of colour) (CKB) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-81 III-15
	blackberry *see* **raspberry**	
	**blackbird, crow, raven** (bird + black)	II-11 III-21
	**blackboard, chalkboard, writing board** (enclosure + to write: panel on which one writes, usually with chalk)	II-96 III-24
	**bladder** (container + urine)	II-22 III-20
	**blanket, duvet, quilt** (cloth + protection + bed)	II-73 III-5
	**bleed (to)** (blood + action indicator)	II-21, 109 III-1
	blemish *see* **pimple**	

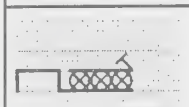
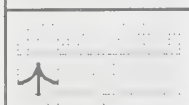
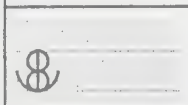
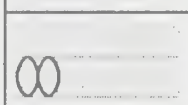
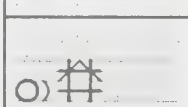
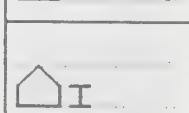
	blend (to) *see* **mix (to)**	
	blessing over wine *see* **kiddush**	
	**blind** (eye + to cross out + description indicator: unable to see) See also: **visually impaired.**	II-78, 108 III-15
	blink (to) *see* **wink (to)**	
	blissful *see Note p. II-132*	
	**Blissymbol, Blissymbolics** (world + pen: writing for the world)	II-95 III-43
	**Blissymbol part** (Blissymbol + part: used with a compound symbol to produce a new meaning, represented by one of the component parts of the compound symbol)	II-95, 131 III-43
	Blissymbolics *see* **Blissymbol**	
	**Blissymbolics Resource Centre** (Resource Centre + about + Blissymbolics)	II-69 III-6
	**block, brick (UK)** (pictograph: symbol suggests a three-dimensional block. It is half the size of **box.**)	II-86, 120 III-26
	**blood** (liquid + life: body fluid that sustains life)	II-21 III-1
	blouse *see* **shirt**	
	**blow (to)** (wind + action indicator)	II-4 III-44
	**blow (to)** (mouth + wind + action indicator: to use the mouth to make a wind)	II-21 III-13
	blow up (to) *see* **explode (to)**	
	**blue** (colour + sky) (BCI) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-81 III-14
	**blue** (colour + 5) (CKB) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-81 III-15
	blue [sad] *see Note p. II-53*	
	**blueberry** (berry + blue)	II-61, 62*c* III-17
	**bluebird** (bird + blue)	II-11 III-21
	blusher *see* **rouge**	
	**board** (table + pointer, to underside: the top of a table is frequently made of boards)	II-75 III-29

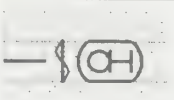
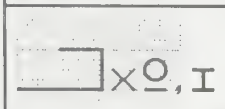
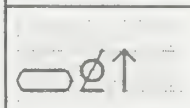
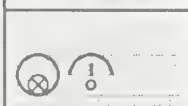
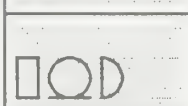
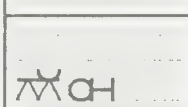
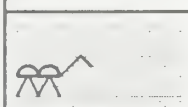
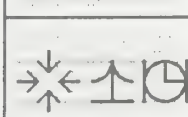
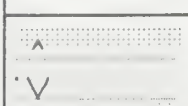
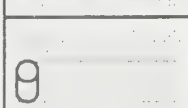
	**boat, ship** (pictograph: symbol suggests a boat with a mast and also incorporates **container.**)	II-98, 100, 103, 120, 123 III-50
	**body, trunk** (pictograph: symbol suggests the trunk of the body, without head and limbs. The symbol may be used for body in a general sense.)	II-21, 22*n* III-23
	bog *see* **swamp**	
	**boil (to)** (fire + water + intensity + action indicator: to bring water or a liquid to a boil)	II-67 III-1
	**boil (to)** (to cook + water + intensity + action indicator: to cook in boiling water)	II-67 III-1
	**bone** (pictograph: symbol suggests a bone shaft with ends)	II-20 III-30
	**bonfire, barbeque (Aus), campfire** (fire + happiness: a fire to enjoy)	II-46*c*, 119, 123 III-1
	bonzer! *see Note p. II-53*	
	**book** (pictograph: symbol suggests an open book. It also can be explained as: two **page** symbols.)	II-97, 110, 116 III-25
	**boot(s)** (protection + pointers, to leg and foot)	II-54, 119 III-33
	**borrow (to)** (to receive + limited time + action indicator)	II-31, 105 III-8
	**boss, supervisor** (person + to guide + work: person who directs work)	II-19, 104, 114 III-36
	**both** (2 + all: two of all)	II-83 III-55
	**bottle, flask** (pictograph)	II-68 III-49
	**bottom, base** (enclosure + pointer, to bottom)	II-91 III-24
	bottom *see* **buttocks**	
	bouquet *see Note p. II-132*	
	bovine *see* **animal (bovine)**	
	**bow** (pictograph)	II-55 III-17
	**bowel, intestine** (tube + bowel movement)	II-22 III-17

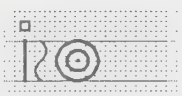
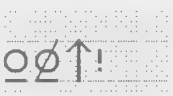
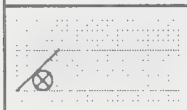
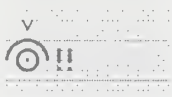
	**bowel movement, feces** (waste + buttocks)	II-22 III-26
	bowl *see* **container**	
	**bowling, bowls** (sport [contraction] + ball + earth: sport in which a ball is rolled along the ground)	II-121 III-40
	bowls *see* **bowling**	
	**box, cube** (pictograph: symbol suggests a three-dimensional box)	II-86 III-25
	**boxing** (sport [contraction] + to fight)	II-121 III-41
	**boy, lad** (combination of child *and* male)	II-14, 16*n* III-12
	**bra, brassiere** (clothing + breasts)	II-54 III-33
	**brace, calliper, splint** (support + medical + thing indicator)	II-109 III-52
	**bracha (Hebrew), berakah, small prayer, prayer (small)** (prayer + comma + little)	II-113 III-13
	**Brahma** (god + creation: Hindu god for the creator) (India)	II-112 III-40
	**brain** (mind + thing indicator: organ of the body. The symbol is the concrete form of **mind**.)	II-21, 25*n* III-18
	**branch** (tree + pointer, to branch)	II-5 III-22
	brassiere *see* bra	
	**bread, loaf of bread** (pictograph: symbol suggests a loaf of bread)	II-60 III-23
	break *see* **rest period**	
	**break (to), crack (to), fracture (to), tear (to)** (line [broken] + action indicator)	II-34 III-47
	**breakable, fragile** (to break + description before the fact indicator)	II-34 III-47
	**breakfast** (meal + 1: first meal of the day)	II-66 III-38

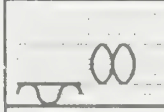
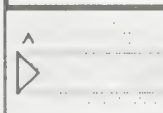
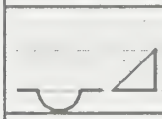
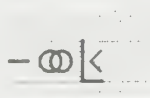
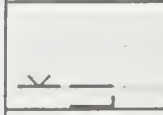
	**breasts** (body + two pointers, to breasts)	II-21, 22*n*, 26 III-23
	**breath** (nose + mouth: mouth and nose are both used in breathing)	II-22 III-43
	**breathe (to)** (breath + action indicator)	II-22 III-43
	brick (UK) *see* **block**	
	**bridge, overpass** (earth [half-sized] + curved line + earth [half-sized]: the symbol suggests a bridge between two banks of a river)	II-101 III-47
	briefs *see* **underpants**	
	**bright** (light + intensity + description indicator)	II-78 III-10
	bright *see* **smart**	
	brilliant! *see Note p. II-53*	
	**bring (to)** (to carry + forward + reference line + action indicator: to carry toward a given location)	II-31, 37, 101 III-25
	bring (to) *see* **take (to)**	
	**broccoli** (cabbage + flower + green: cabbage with green flowerets)	II-63, 64*c* III-20
	**broil (to), barbecue (to), grill (to)** (to cook + intensity + action indicator: to cook with intense heat)	II-67 III-1
	**broken** (to break + description after the fact indicator)	II-34 III-47
	**broom** (pictograph: symbol suggests a broom)	II-74 III-48
	broth *see* **soup**	
	**brother** (son + 2: a son considered in relation to another child of his parents)	II-17 III-34
	**brown** (colour + earth) (BCI) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-81 III-14
	**brown** (combination of red *and* black) (CKB) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-81 III-15
	**brush** (pictograph: symbol suggests a brush in an upright position)	II-24, 74, 99, 116, 118 III-29

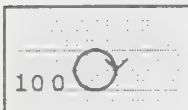
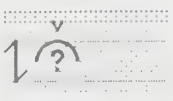
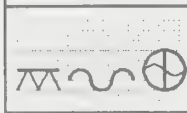
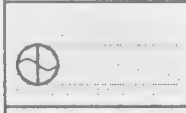
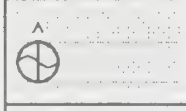
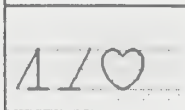
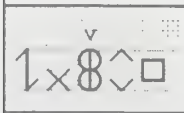
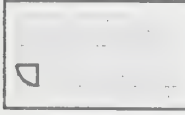
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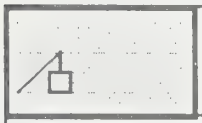
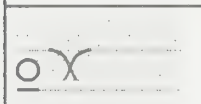
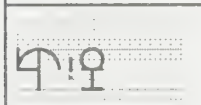
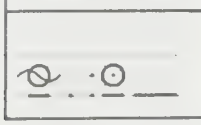
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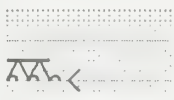
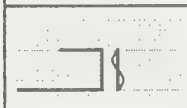
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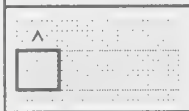
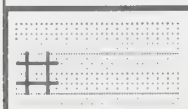
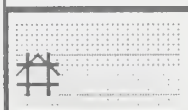
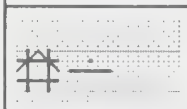
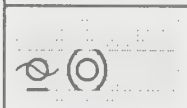
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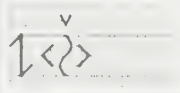
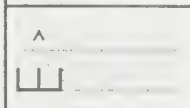
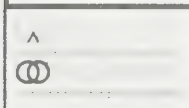
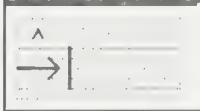
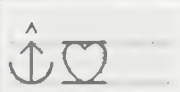
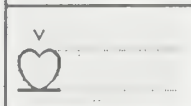
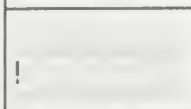
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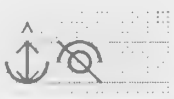
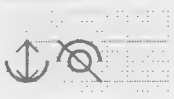
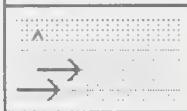
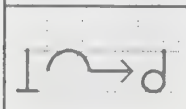
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	**child abuse** (abuse + child)	II-28 III-32
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	**chocolate** (food + powder + brown)	II-59 III-16
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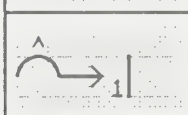
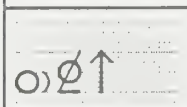
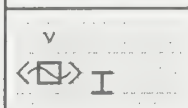
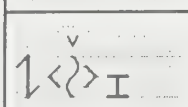
	**chocolate flavouring, chocolate powder, cocoa powder** (combination of flavouring *and* chocolate [contraction])	II-59 III-37
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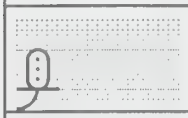
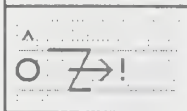
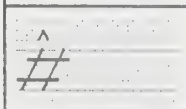
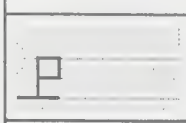
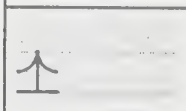
	**citizen** (earth + combination of man *and* woman: man or woman having a relationship to a country or territory)	II-106 III-50
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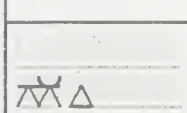
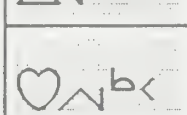
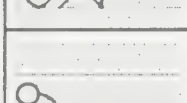
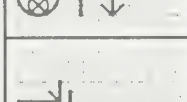
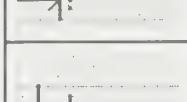
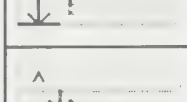
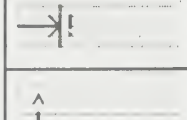
	**clock, timepiece** (time + thing indicator: object for telling time.The symbol is the concrete form of **time**.)	II-73, 82, 90 III-12
	close *see* **intimate**; *see also* **near**	
	**close (to), enclose (to), shut (to)** (enclosure + action indicator)	II-36 III-24
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	**clothing, clothes, garment** (cloth + protection)	II-54, 56, 57*n*, 103 III-33
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	coast *see* **beach**	
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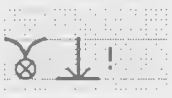
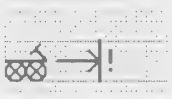
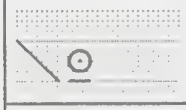
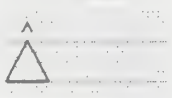
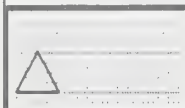
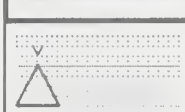
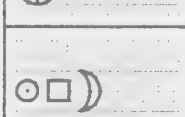
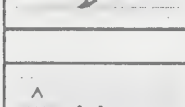
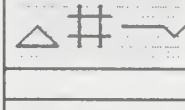
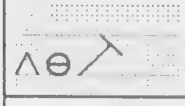
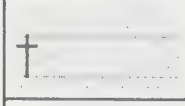
	**cold** (ice + two pointers, suggesting the emission of cold + description indicator) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-4, 23, 40*n*, 66 III-35
	**cold** (opposite meaning + hot + description indicator) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-4, 23, 40*n*, 66 III-42
	**colon** (punctuation mark)	II-128 III-54
	**colour** (eye + earth [half-sized]: what the eye receives from things on earth)	II-81 III-14
	coloured pencil *see* **crayon**	
	**comb** (pictograph: symbol suggests a side view of a comb)	II-24 III-29
	**comb (to)** (comb + action indicator)	II-24 III-29
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	**combination, connection** (two interlocking circles [half-sized])	II-34 III-16
	**combine (to), connect (to), link (to)** (combination + action indicator)	II-34 III-16
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	**comfort (to), console (to)** (to give + peace + action indicator)	II-47*c*, 50 III-7
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	**comma** 1. (used as punctuation in symbol sentences) 2. (used to divide component parts of compound and combined symbols, in order to clarify meaning. See Note p. II-66)	II-128, 131 III-54
	**command** (exclamation mark: used to indicate that the symbol statement that follows it is in the imperative form)	II-131 III-54

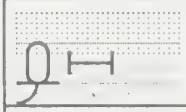
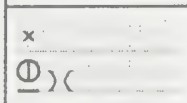
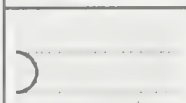
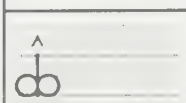
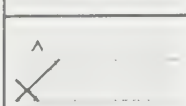
	**commandments** (pictograph of two tablets of the laws: two tablets on which the ten commandments were inscribed)	II-112, 113 III-49
	commerce *see* **business**	
	**communicate (to)** (communication + action indicator)	II-94 III-7
	**communication** (to exchange + meaning)	II-94 III-7
	commute (to) *see* **travel (to)**	
	compact disc *see* **record**	
	**compare (to)** (to observe + same + action indicator: to observe the similarities between two or more persons or things)	II-39, 82, 95 III-18
	compel (to) *see* **force (to)**	
	**compete (to), race (to)** (race + action indicator)	II-33, 49*c*, 120, 122 III-8
	competition *see* **race**	
	complete (to) *see* **finish (to)**	
	comply (to) *see* **obey (to)**	
	**composer** (person + tune: person who creates tunes)	II-19, 99 III-36
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	**computer** (machine + mind: machine that works like a mind)	II-75, 95, 96, 104, 110, 117 III-10
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	**conception, fertilization, fertilized egg** (combination of sperm *and* egg)	II-27 III-2
	concerning *see* **about**	
	**concert hall** (building + music: building where music is performed)	II-68*n*, 69, 99, 124 III-5
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	condiment *see* **flavouring**	
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	**condom** (barrier contraceptive + male)	II-27 III-2
	**conductor** (person + to lead + musical note: person who leads or directs musicians)	II-19, 99 III-36

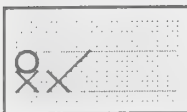
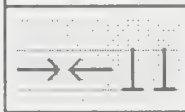
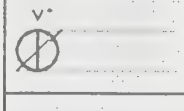
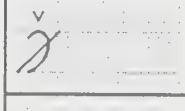
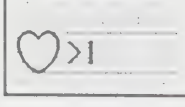
	**cone** (pictograph: symbol suggests the outline of a cone)	II-86 III-34
	conference *see* **gathering; *see also* meeting**	
	confidence *see* **trust**	
	congratulations *see* **mazel tov**	
	connect (to) *see* **combine (to)**	
	connection *see* **combination**	
	**conscience** (mind + mind, at a higher level: another level of consciousness super-imposed on the rational mind)	II-42, 44*n* III-18
	**considerate, thoughtful** (mind + other + description indicator: mindful of others)	II-42 III-19
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	contain (to) *see* **hold (to)**	
	**container, bowl, holder, pouch** (pictograph: symbol suggests the outline of a bowl)	II-67, 68 III-19
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	**continue (to), pass (to)** (forward [extended] + reference line [half-sized] + action indicator: the arrow passes a reference line and continues on)	II-35 III-6
	**contraction (uterine)** (work + uterus)	II-27 III-40
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	**control oneself (to)** (self-control + action indicator)	II-38 III-19
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	converse (to) *see* **discuss (to)**	
	**cook (to)** (fire + food + action indicator: to use fire (heat) to prepare food)	II-34, 67, 117 III-1
	cook (to) *see* **prepare food (to)**	
	cook (to) (Aus) *see* **bake (to)**	
	**cookie, biscuit** (disc + sweet: sweet, disc-shaped food)	II-59 III-17
	**cool, chilly** (cold + little + description indicator) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-4, 23 III-35
	**cool, chilly** (opposite meaning + warm + description indicator) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-4, 23 III-42
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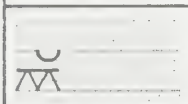
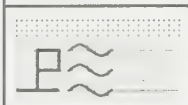
	copulation *see* **sexual intercourse**	
	**copy, duplicate** (to repeat + thing indicator)	II-96, 132*n* III-48
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	**corn** (vegetable (cylinder-shaped)+ dots, suggesting kernels)	II-63, 64*c* III-22
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	**cornmeal** (powder + corn)	II-59 III-31
	**correct, accurate, good, right** (mind + positive + description indicator: thought to be correct, good, or right in a rational sense) See also: **good** and **moral**.	II-42, 43*n*, 44*n* III-19
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	**cost, price** (money + for (in exchange for) + thing)	II-31, 105 III-13
	**costume, disguise** (clothing + make believe)	II-54, 117 III-33
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	**couch, chesterfield, sofa** (pictograph: symbol suggests a couch with a reclining back)	II-72 III-53
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	counsel (to) *see* **advise (to)**	
	**counsellor, adviser** (person + suggestion + to help: person who makes suggestions in order to help)	II-19, 114 III-36
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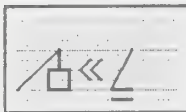
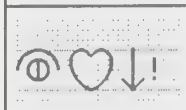
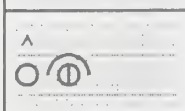
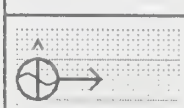
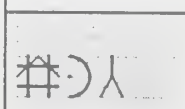
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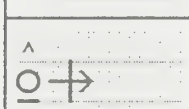
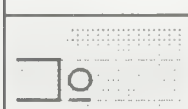
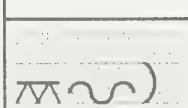
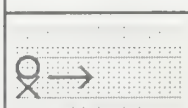
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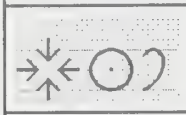
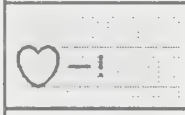
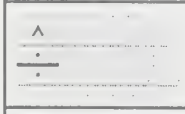
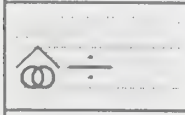
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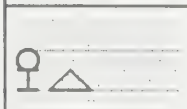
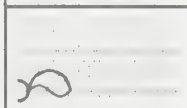
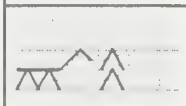
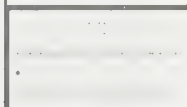
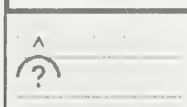
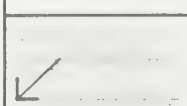
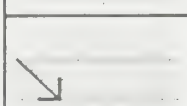
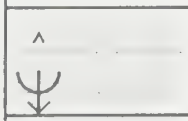
	**cutlery** (generalization + knife)	II-68 III-12
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	daddy *see* **father**	
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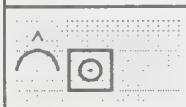
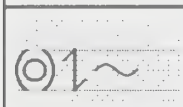
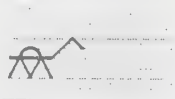
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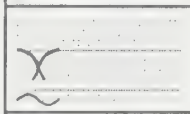
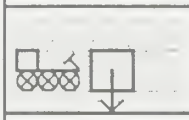
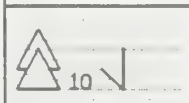
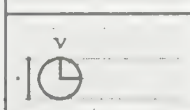
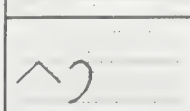
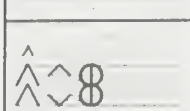
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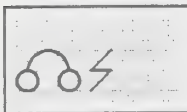
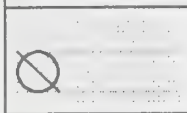
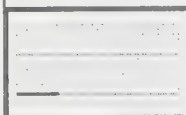
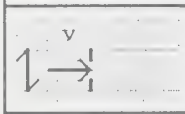
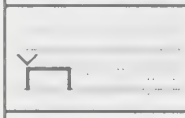
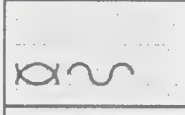
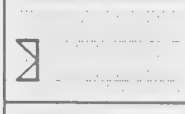
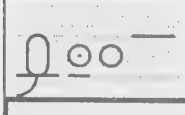
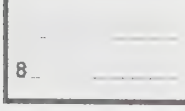
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	**draw (to), sketch (to)** (pencil + picture + action indicator: to use a pencil or pen to make a picture)	**II**-34, 99, 111, 116 **III**-53
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	dread (to) *see* **fear (to)**	
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	dresser *see* **chest of drawers**	
	dressing *see* **bandage**	
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	**drink (to)** (drink + action indicator)	**II**-22, 65 **III**-1
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	**dry** (opposite meaning + wet + description after the fact indicator)	II-4, 23 III-42
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	**dump truck, tip-up lorry (UK)** (truck + out of (downward))	II-100 III-25
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	duvet *see* **blanket**	
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	dye *see* **paint**	
	dye (to) *see* **paint (to)**	
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	**earphones** (pictograph+ electricity)	**II**-78, 111, 117 **III**-17
	**earth** (pictograph: symbol suggests the planet rotating on its axis)	**II**-1 **III**-12
	**earth, ground, land** (horizontal line, on the earthline of the symbol drawing area)	**II**-1, 100 **III**-45
	**east** (sun + pointer, to east)	**II**-3, 93 **III**-10
	**Easter** (day + to rise + Christ [contraction]: the day of Christ's rising from the dead)	**II**-112, 115 **III**-11
	**eastern** (east + description indicator)	**II**-3, 93 **III**-10
	**easy** (opposite meaning + difficult + description indicator)	**II**-42 **III**-42
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	**edge** (table + pointer, to edge)	**II**-91 **III**-29
	**education** (to exchange + knowledge)	**II**-110 **III**-7
	**eel** (fish + snake: snake-like fish)	**II**-12 **III**-19
	**effect, result** (shape that incorporates **relation**: the effect is the imprint left by the wedge-shaped **cause**) See also: **cause.**	**II**-33 **III**-29
	**egg** (seed + life) SYMBOL SYNONYM	**II**-58 **III**-46
	**egg, ovum** (pictograph) SYMBOL SYNONYM	**II**-26, 58 **III**-10
	**eggplant** (vegetable (cylinder-shaped) + purple)	**II**-63, 64*c* **III**-22
	**eight** (Arabic numeral)	**II**-83 **III**-55



either
(relation [half-sized], pointing forward + dot: altered form of **position** in order to represent the meaning "the first alternative". The dot is within the relation symbol because, as CKB writes, "We have not decided where to place it.")
II-125
III-31



ejaculation
(erection + sperm + intensity)
II-27
III-32



elbow
(arm + pointer, to elbow)
II-20
III-32

elderly *see* **old**



electric, electrical
(electricity + description indicator)
II-77
III-42

electrical *see* **electric**

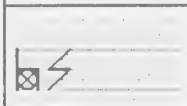
electric cord *see* **electric wire**



electricity
(pictograph: symbol suggests a lightning bolt)
II-77, 104
III-42



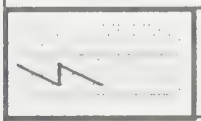
electric light, lamp
(light + electricity + thing indicator: object that provides light by means of electricity)
II-73
III-10



electric wheelchair
(wheelchair + electricity)
II-100, 109
III-49



electric wire, electric cord, flex (UK)
(linear thing + electricity + thing indicator)
II-73, 74, 77, 118
III-48



electromagnetic radiation
(derived from **electricity**)
II-77
III-52

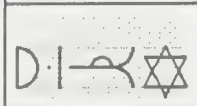


elephant
(animal + nose: animal distinguished by its nose, i.e., trunk)
II-8
III-45

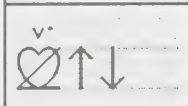


elevator, lift (Aus/UK)
(room + up and down)
II-70
III-27

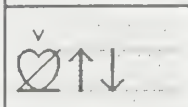
elk *see* **moose**



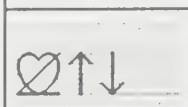
Elul (Hebrew)
(month + before + shofar: month before Rosh Hashana)
II-89
III-49



embarrassed
(embarrassment + description after the fact indicator)
II-46*c*, 47*c*, 51
III-5



embarrassing
(embarrassment + description indicator)
II-46*c*, 47*c*, 51
III-5



embarrassment
(combination of uncomfortable *and* upset)
II-45, 46*c*, 47*c*
III-4

embrace (to) *see* **hug (to)**

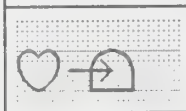


embryo
(body + life [half-sized]: an embryo is a potential living being, which cannot live outside the mother's body)
II-27
III-23



emergency
(danger + limited time)
II-90, 109
III-39

emotion *see* **feeling**



empathy
(feeling + to understand)
II-45, 48*c*
III-3

employment *see* **work**



empty
(opposite meaning + full + description indicator)
II-82
III-43



empty (to), void (to)
(empty + action indicator)
II-34
III-43

enclose (to) *see* **close (to)**



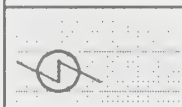
enclosure
(pictograph: an enclosed space)
II-71, 86, 128*n*
III-24

encounter (to) *see* **meet (to)**



end, arrival, stop
(forward + reference line: the arrow arrives at the line and stops)
II-37, 92, 102*n*
III-7

end (to) *see* **stop (to)**

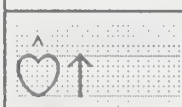


energy
(sun + electromagnetic radiation: potential energy, as received from the sun)
II-77, 104
III-52



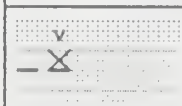
engaged
(before + marriage + description indicator)
II-29
III-31

engine *see* **machine**

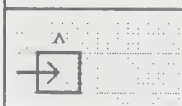


enjoy (to)
(happiness + action indicator)
II-46*c*, 50
III-3

enlarge (to) *see* **increase (to)**

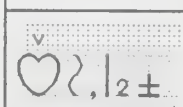


enough
(minus + more + description indicator: no more needed, i.e.,the right amount or number)
II-84
III-47



enter (to), absorb (to), insert (to), penetrate (to)
(into + action indicator)
II-36, 93
III-7

entertain (to) *see* **amuse (to)**

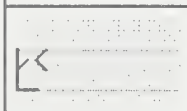
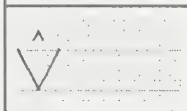
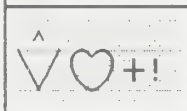
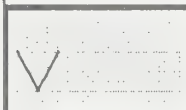
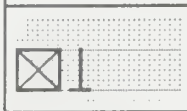


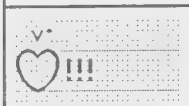
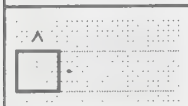
envious
(to want + comma + other + to have + description indicator: wanting what another person has)
II-49*c*, 52
III-3

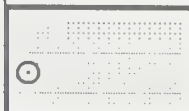
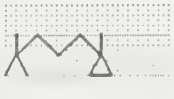


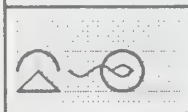
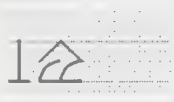
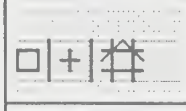
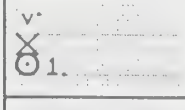
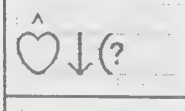
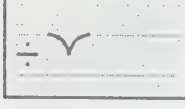
environment
(earth + water + sky: complete physical world that surrounds us)
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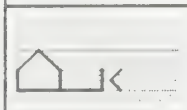
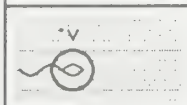
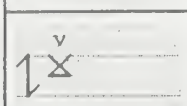
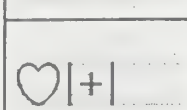
equal *see* **same**

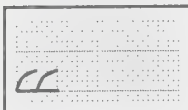
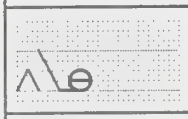
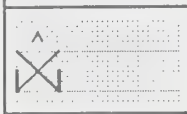
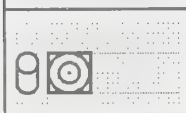
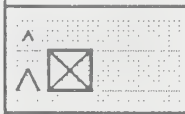
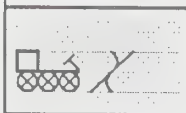
	**equal (to)** (equal + action indicator)	II-82 III-46
	erect penis *see* **erection**	
	**erection, erect penis** (standing person with erect penis + pointer)	II-27 III-32
	error *see* **mistake**	
	estimate (to) *see* **guess (to)**	
	**eternal life, immortality** (life + after + death)	II-112 III-11
	**etrog (Hebrew)** (pictograph: citrus fruit used as a Jewish ceremonial object)	II-113 III-52
	**evaluate (to)** (evaluation + action indicator)	II-33 III-40
	**evaluate as good (to) (Hebrew)** (to evaluate + good + action indicator)	II-33, 47*c* III-40
	**evaluation, value** (symbol represents a cone balancing unsteadily on its point, reminding us that our evaluations are variable and unreliable)	II-33, 53*n*, 130 III-40
	**evening** (half moon + earth: the moon begins to appear above the horizon)	II-88 III-46
	**evening of Sabbath (Hebrew)** (evening + before + Sabbath)	II-47*c*, 113, 115 III-46
	**event, happening, occasion** (to be + earth [half-sized]: occurrence on earth)	II-32, 123 III-16
	**ever** (anytime + description indicator)	II-87 III-53
	ever *see* **always**	
	**evergreen tree** (pictograph: symbol suggests a pine tree. The symbol can be used for any tree that does not lose its leaves annually.)	II-5 III-22
	every *see* **all**; *see also* **each**	
	**everybody, everyone** (all + person)	II-18 III-25
	everyone *see* **everybody**	
	everything *see* **all**	
	example *see* **unit**	
	except *see* **but**	
	**exchange (to), substitute (to), trade (to)** (combination of to receive *and* to give + action indicator)	II-31, 94, 105 III-7

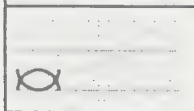
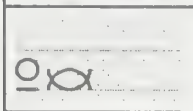
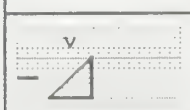
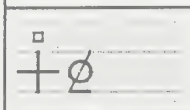
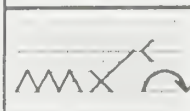
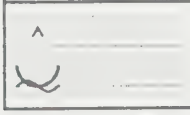
	excitable *see Note p. II-53*	
	**excited, excitedly** (excitement + description after the fact indicator)	II-49*c*, 51, 53*n* III-4
	**excitement** (feeling + three intensity symbols: experiencing very intense feelings)	II-45, 49*c*, 98 III-4
	exciting, excitingly *see Note p. II-53*	
	**exclamation mark** (used as punctuation in symbol sentences)	II-128 III-54
	**exclude (to)** (outside + action indicator)	II-32 III-24
	excursion *see* **outing**	
	**excuse** (to allow + after: condoning of something after it has occurred)	II-38 III-18
	**excuse (to)** (excuse + action indicator)	II-39 III-18
	**exercise (to)** (to work + health + action indicator: to work in order to maintain health)	II-32, 122 III-40
	exhausted *see* **tired**	
	**exhibitionism, indecent exposure** (to cause + to see+ genitals)	II-28 III-30
	exist (to) *see* **be (to)**	
	exit *see* **out of**	
	exit (downward) *see* **out of (downward)**	
	**exit (to)** (out of + action indicator)	II-36, 93 III-25
	**expect (to), anticipate (to)** (expectation + action indicator)	II-39 III-23
	**expectation, anticipation** (mind + future + question mark: thinking about an unknown future)	II-38 III-23
	**expensive** (much + cost + description indicator: costing a lot of money)	II-105 III-38
	**explain (to)** (to say + to understand + action indicator: to say something in such a way that another person understands it)	II-42, 94 III-13
	**explode (to), blow up (to), burst (to)** (explosive + action indicator)	II-77, 107 III-9

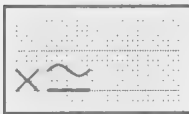
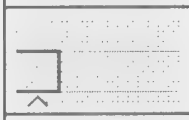
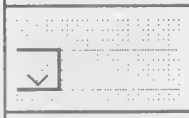
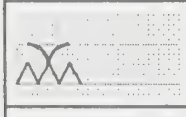
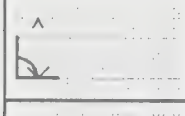
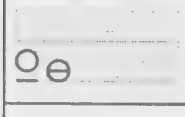
	**explosive** (thing + four arrows [modified], moving outwards)	II-74, 77, 107 III-8
	express (to) *see* **say (to)**	
	exterior *see* **out**	
	external *see* **out**	
	**eye** (pictograph: symbol suggests an eye with a pupil in the centre)	II-20, 78, 97*n* III-14
	**eyebrow** (eye + line [half-sized] + pointer)	II-20 III-46
	**eyebrow pencil** (pencil + eyebrow)	II-25 III-53
	eye glasses *see* **glasses**	
	**eyelid** (eye + pointer)	II-20 III-14
	**eye make-up** (colour + plus + two pointers, to eyelids and eyelashes: colour added to eyelids and eyelashes)	II-25 III-14
	fabric *see* **cloth**	
	**face** (pictograph)	II-20 III-10
	**fact** (mind + real: something that one thinks is real)	II-38 III-18
	**factory, plant** (building + to make: building where things are manufactured)	II-69, 104, 105 III-6
	**falafel** (food + ball + bean: Middle Eastern food made from chick-pea meal and shaped into balls)	II-60 III-15
	fall *see* **autumn**	
	**fall (to)** (down + intensity + action indicator)	II-35, 92 III-8
	**fallopian tube** (tube + egg)	II-26 III-17
	false face *see* **mask**	
	**family** (man + protection + protection + woman: a man and a woman join their roofs to create a family unit. The symbol also can be explained as husband + wife.) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-17, 98 III-50
	**family** (person + protection + person: caring people, i.e., people joined together to protect those in their care) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-17 III-37

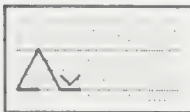
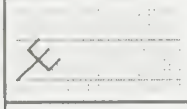
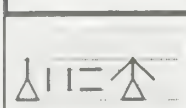
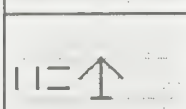
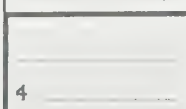
	**family** (group + protection: group of caring people) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-17 III-38
	**family planning** (plan + conception)	II-27 III-19
	**family planning clinic** (public room + family planning)	II-27, 71 III-28
	family room *see* **play room**	
	**fan** (pictograph)	II-55 III-19
	**far, distant** (two reference lines [half-sized] + description indicator: with a full square between them, the lines are relatively far apart) See also: **near**.	II-91 III-51
	farewell *see* **goodbye**	
	**farm** (protection + field: place where the fields are cared for)	II-9*n*, 12, 98, 103, 124, 132*n* III-34
	**farmer** (person + farm: person who farms)	II-18, 103 III-36
	fast *see* **quick**	
	**Fast Day** (day + without + food)	II-112 III-11
	**fasten (to), attach (to), join (to)** (together + action indicator)	II-34, 117 III-48
	**fastener, gripper, velcro, zipper** (thing + to fasten + clothing)	II-55 III-26
	**fat, thick** (two reference lines + two pointers + description indicator: the pointers point inward to the widest space bounded by the reference lines)	II-23, 85 III-48
	**father, dad, daddy, papa** (protection + man: man who gives protection to his family)	II-17 III-34
	**favourite** (to choose + first + description after the fact indicator: one's first choice)	II-41 III-37
	**fear (to), afraid (to be), dread (to)** (afraid + action indicator: to feel afraid of the future because of its uncertainties)	II-41, 46*c*, 50 III-3
	**feather** (part of + wings)	II-11 III-31

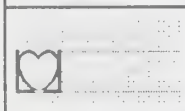
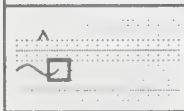
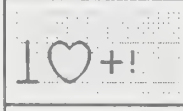
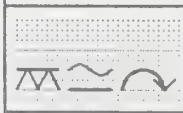
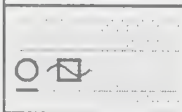
	**February** (month + 2: second month of the year)	II-89 III-49
	feces *see* **bowel movement**	
	**feed (to)** (to give + food + action indicator)	II-58 III-7
	**feel (to)** (feeling + action indicator)	II-21, 46*c*, *47c*, 48*c*, 49*c*, 50 III-2
	feel (to) *see* **touch (to)**	
	**feeling, emotion, sensation** (symbol is the familiar heart shape: traditionally one's feelings are supposed to come from the heart. In a few cases, this symbol is used to represent sensation.)	II-21, 44*n*, 45, 46*c*, *47c*, 48*c*, 49*c*, 70*n* III-2
	feline *see* **cat**	
	**female** (woman [modified]: this form of **woman** is used only in compound symbols to specify gender or sex)	II-14, 26 III-39
	female *see* **woman**	
	**female, feminine** (woman + description indicator)	II-14, 26 III-50
	feminine *see* **female**	
	**fence, wall** (yard + pointer, to fence)	II-69 III-6
	**fertile** (conception + description before the fact indicator: capable of conception)	II-27 III-2
	**fertility counselling** (help + conception)	II-27 III-52
	fertilization *see* **conception**	
	fertilized egg *see* **conception**	
	festival *see* **holiday**; *see also* **party**	
	**fetus** (body + baby)	II-27 III-23
	**few, little** (opposite meaning + much/many + description indicator)	II-84 III-43
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	**fidelity, loyalty** (feeling + to attach)	II-45 III-4

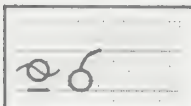
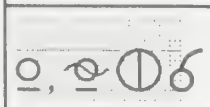
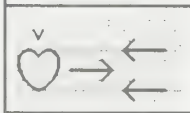
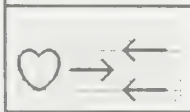
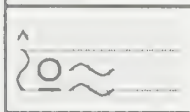
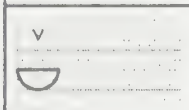
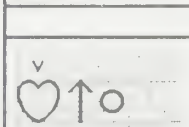
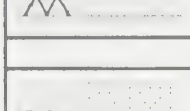
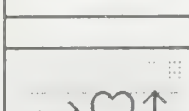
	**field** (grain + earth: ground covered with grain or crops)	II-6 III-22
	field *see* **court**	
	**field hockey, hockey (UK)** (sport [contraction] + sport stick + ball: game played with a stick and a ball)	II-121 III-41
	**fight (to), combat (to)** (hand crossing hand + action indicator: symbol represents physical conflict but may be used in a general sense to represent any sort of conflict or struggle)	II-37 III-51
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	**fire fighter, fireman** (person + fire + to destroy: person who puts out fires)	II-18, 114 III-35
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	**fireplace** (fire + open: opening in which a fire can be built)	II-72 III-28
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	**first, primary** (1 + decimal point + description indicator: the dot indicates an ordinal numeral)	II-83, 88 III-55
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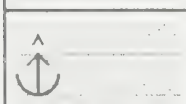
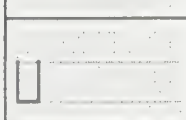
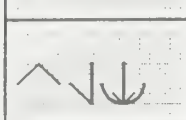
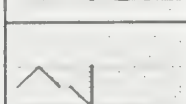
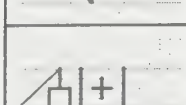
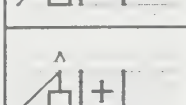
	**flood** (much + water + land)	II-2 III-38
	**floor** (room + pointer, to floor)	II-72 III-27
	**floor covering, linoleum** (room + pointer, to floor)	II-72 III-27
	**flour** (powder + grain: powder made from grain)	II-59 III-31
	**flower** (pictograph: symbol suggests a flower)	II-5, 116, 132*n* III-13
	**flower (from bulb)** (flower + bulb + pointer, to flower)	II-5 III-13
	**flower (protected)** (flower + protection + description after the fact indicator)	II-5 III-13
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	**food** (mouth + earth [half-sized]: what the mouth gets from the earth)	II-58, 103 III-15
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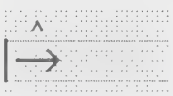
	**foot** (legs and feet + pointer, to foot)	II-20 III-40
	**football, rugby, soccer** (sport [contraction] + ball + legs and feet: game in which legs and feet are used to move the ball)	II-121 III-41
	**for (in exchange for)** (to exchange [modified])	II-125 III-35
	**for (the purpose of), in order to** (purpose [half-sized])	II-125 III-35
	**force (to), compel (to)** (mind + strong [modified] + action indicator: to use the power of the mind to make something happen)	II-32, 39 III-32
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	**forehead** (face + pointer, to forehead)	II-20 III-10
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	forever *see* **always**	
	**forget (to)** (combination of knowledge *and* out of + action indicator)	II-42 III-18
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	**fork** (pictograph: symbol suggests a fork. The diagonal orientation of fork is the same as that of spoon and knife.)	II-67, 68 III-53
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	**forward** (arrow, pointing forward)	II-35, 49*c*, 92, 102*n*, 126 III-7
	**foster mother** (woman + similar + mother: woman who acts as a mother)	II-17 III-50
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	**four** (Arabic numeral)	II-83 III-55

	**four o'clock eating break** (food + time + 4: break for eating at four o'clock) (Israel)	II-66 III-15
	**fox** (canine + little + open: small, wild animal similar to a dog)	II-7 III-21
	fracture (to) *see* **break (to)**	
	fragile *see* **breakable**	
	fragrance *see* **perfume**	
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	**free, freely** (freedom + description indicator)	II-48*c*, 51 III-28
	**freedom, liberty** (feeling + open: feeling of being unconfined)	II-45, 48*c* III-28
	freely *see* **free**	
	**freeze (to), solidify (to)** (water + thing + action indicator: to convert water to solid ice)	II-4, 67 III-2
	**french fries, chips (UK)** (potato + linear thing + plural indicator + thing indicator: potatoes cut in strips)	II-60 III-46
	frequent *see* **often**	
	frequently *see* **often**	
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	**Friday** (day + 6: sixth day of the week)	II-89 III-11
	fridge *see* **refrigerator**	
	**friend** (person + to like: person whom one likes)	II-18, 19*n* III-35
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	**frog, toad** (amphibian + to jump: amphibian that hops)	II-8 III-44
	**from** (reference line [half-sized] + arrowhead: the arrowhead departs from the reference line. This symbol is a simplified form of **departure**.)	II-92, 126 III-51
	frozen *see* **icy**	
	**frozen food** (food + ice)	II-60 III-15
	**fruit** (pictograph: symbol suggests a piece of fruit with a curved stem, in the position it would have if hanging from a tree)	II-5, 61, 62*c*, 103 III-17

	**fruit juice** (drink + fruit)	II-65 III-2
	**fruit yogurt** (yogurt + fruit)	II-60, 62*c* III-16
	**frustrated** (frustration + description after the fact indicator)	II-49*c*, 51 III-3
	**frustrating** (frustration + description indicator)	II-49*c*, 51 III-3
	**frustration** (feeling + forward + two arrows, pointing backward: one arrow is "frustrated" in its efforts to penetrate the opposition of the other two)	II-45, 49*c* III-3
	**fry (to), saute (to)** (to cook + oil + action indicator: to cook with oil or fat)	II-67 III-1
	**fuel** (energy + enclosure: energy that can be put into an enclosure and used to power something)	II-76, 77, 104 III-52
	**full** (container, closed over + description indicator)	II-82 III-44
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	**funny, humorous** (to laugh + description indicator: causing laughter)	II-46*c*, 51 III-3
	**fur, coat (animal), hair (animal)** (animal + hair + pointer, to hair: hair protecting the skin of an animal)	II-9 III-24
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	**furniture** (generalization + chair + table: two common pieces of furniture stand for furniture in general)	II-72 III-12
	**future** (outline of parabolic mirror focused on what lies ahead of it)	II-87 III-23
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	gag (to) *see* **choke (to)**	
	gain *see* **addition**	
	gain (to) *see* **add (to)**	
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	**game** (competition + to enjoy)	II-46*c*, 115, 116, 120, 122 III-8

	**Ganesh** (god + elephant: Hindu god) (India)	II-112 III-40
	**garage** (building + two wheels: building for vehicles)	II-69, 105 III-6
	garbage *see* **waste**	
	**garbage can, rubbish bin (UK),trash can** (container + waste)	II-67 III-26
	**garden** (flower + earth: place with flowers)	II-6, 116, 124 III-13
	**garlic** (combination of vegetable below ground *and* vegetable (bulb) + smell + intensity: bulb vegetable having a strong odour)	II-63, 64*c* III-46
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	**gas** (up + pictograph of a bubble: symbol suggests a gas bubble rising upward)	II-1, 76, 77, 104 III-7
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	**gasoline, gas, petrol (UK)** (liquid + wheel: liquid that powers machinery and vehicles)	II-76, 77, 101, 104 III-1
	**gather (to), assemble (to)** (gathering + action indicator)	II-31, 35 III-8
	**gathering, assembly, meeting, conference** (four arrows [modified], pointing inward towards each other, i.e., gathering together) See also: **meeting**	II-35, 123 III-8
	gavel *see* **hammer**	
	**gender, sex** (male + female: having either a male or female gender)	II-14, 26 III-41
	**general** (a + description indicator)	II-125 III-53
	**generalization** (mouth + many: what one says to characterize many things: CKB describes this symbol as "a saying about a multitude".)	II-95, 131, 132*n* III-12
	**genitals, sex organs** (standing person + pointer, to genital area)	II-21 III-32
	**genitals (female), sex organs (female)** (genitals + female)	II-26 III-32
	**genitals (male), sex organs (male)** (genitals + male)	II-26 III-32

	**gerbil, guinea pig, hamster** (combination of rodent *and* pet: rodent often kept as a pet)	II-8, 10*c* III-44
	**get (to), acquire (to), receive (to)** (down + to hold + action indicator: to draw into what one holds)	II-31 III-8
	**ghost, phantom** (person + transparent: person that you can see through)	II-18, 98 III-36
	**gift, offering, present** (thing + to give: thing that is given)	II-115 III-25
	**giraffe** (animal + pictograph of head and long neck)	II-7, 10*c* III-45
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	**give (to), offer (to), provide (to)** (up + to hold + action indicator: to draw from what one holds)	II-31, 49*c* III-7
	glad *see* **happy**	
	gladly *see* **happy**	
	**glass** (material + glass: material of which drinking glasses are made)	II-75, 118 III-26
	**glass, drinking glass** (pictograph: symbol suggests a drinking glass)	II-65, 68 III-29
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	**glove (sports), mitt (sports)** (glove + to catch: glove for use when catching a ball)	II-122 III-33
	**glove(s), mitt(s), mitten(s)** (protection + hand: protective covering for the hand)	II-54, 119 III-33
	**glue, adhesive, paste** (chemical product + to fasten)	II-76, 118 III-53
	**glue (to), paste (to), stick (to)** (glue + action indicator)	II-34, 117 III-53



go (to), depart (to), leave (to)
(departure + action indicator)
II-35, 92, 129*n*
III-48

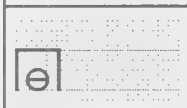
go (to) — *see* **advance (to)**; *see also* **walk (to)**

go down (to) — *see* **descend (to)**

going to (to be) — *see Note p. II-30*

go through (to) — *see* **penetrate (to)**

go up (to) — *see* **rise (to)**



goal
(pictograph: symbol suggests a goal with a ball in it)
II-121
III-27



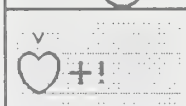
God
(creation + creation, on a higher level: above our created world is a higher Creator)
II-112
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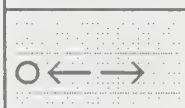
goldfish, guppy, pet fish
(fish + feeling: fish frequently kept as a pet)
II-12
III-19



golf
(sport [contraction] + sport stick + ball + container: game in which a stick is used to propel the ball into a hole)
II-121
III-41



good, well
(goodness + description indicator: felt to be positive or good in an emotional sense) See also: **correct** *and* **moral.**
II-23, 44*n*, 47*c*, 51, 65
III-4

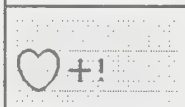


goodbye, farewell
(mouth + two arrows, pointing away from each other: what you say when you part from someone)
II-95
III-13



Good Friday
(day + to die + Christ [contraction]: day Christ died on the cross)
II-112, 115
III-11

good-looking — *see* **beautiful**



goodness
(feeling + positive)
II-45, 47*c*
III-4



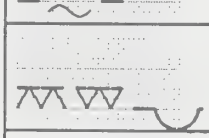
goods, contents
(container + thing)
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goose
(water bird + big)
II-11
III-22

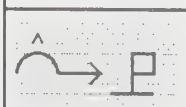


goose
(food + goose)
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III-16

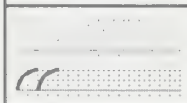
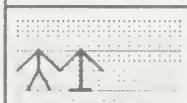
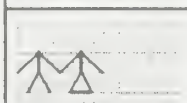
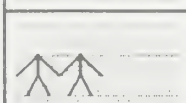
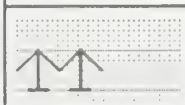
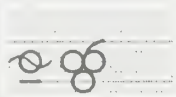
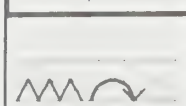


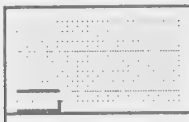
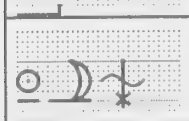
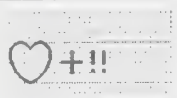
gopher, ground hog
(rodent + hole: rodent that lives in a burrow underground)
II-8, 10*c*
III-45

gorilla — *see* **monkey**



govern (to), rule (to)
(to lead + country + action indicator: to lead a country)
II-38, 106
III-19

	**government** (group + to govern)	II-18, 106 III-38
	**grain, cereal** (pictograph: symbol suggests two stalks of grain. It is made up of two grass symbols.)	II-5, 63 III-22
	gramps *see Note p. II-53*	
	gran *see Note p. II-53*	
	granddad *see* **grandfather**	
	**grandfather, granddad, grandpa** (father + parent: father of one's father or mother)	II-17, 53*n* III-34
	**grandfather (maternal)** (father + mother: father of one's mother)	II-17 III-34
	**grandfather (paternal)** (father + father: father of one's father)	II-17 III-34
	grandma *see* **grandmother**	
	**grandmother, grandma, granny** (mother + parent: mother of one's father or mother)	II-17, 53*n* III-34
	**grandmother (maternal)** mother + mother: mother of one's mother)	II-17 III-34
	**grandmother (paternal)** (mother + father: mother of one's father)	II-17 III-34
	grandpa *see* **grandfather**	
	**grandparent** (parent + parent: the parent of one's father or mother)	II-17 III-34
	granny *see* **grandmother**	
	**grape juice** (drink + grapes)	II-62*c*, 65 III-2
	**grapefruit** (citrus fruit + big)	II-61, 62*c* III-17
	**grapes** (pictograph: symbol suggests a cluster of grapes hanging from a stem)	II-61 III-17
	**grass** (pictograph: symbol suggests a blade of grass)	II-5 III-22
	**grasshopper** (insect + to jump)	II-12 III-41

	**grave** (earth + to lie down: place of rest below the earth)	II-29 III-46
	**gray, grey** (combination of black *and* white)	II-81 III-15
	great! *see Note p. II-53*	
	**great experience (Hebrew)** (good + intensity: intensely good feeling)	II-47*c*, 95 III-4
	**green** (colour + grass) (BCI) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-81 III-14
	**green** (colour + 4) (CKB) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-81 III-15
	green bean *see* **string bean**	
	**greenhouse, glasshouse (UK), hothouse** (building + plant: building for cultivating plants)	II-6, 69 III-5
	**green onion, scallion, spring onion (UK)** (onion + little)	II-63, 64*c* III-46
	greetings *see* **hello**	
	grey *see* **gray**	
	grill (to) *see* **broil (to)**	
	grin (to), smile (to)	
	grind (to), smash (to)	
	**grocery store, food store, supermarket** (store + food)	II-71, 105 III-28
	gross! *see Note p. II-53*	
	ground *see* **earth**	
	ground hog, *see* **gopher**	
	**group** (group of + person: a number of people considered together)	II-18, 70*n* III-38
	group home *see* **residential institution**	
	**group of, much/many, quantity** (multiplication [half-sized]: used before another symbol to create a collective or quantitative meaning)	II-57*n*, 70*n*, 84, 131, 132*n* III-38
	**grove** (group of + tree)	II-2 III-38
	**grow (to)** (flower + up + action indicator: to come up as flowers do. CKB says that this symbol applies primarily to agriculture and horticulture, but that it may be used in a general sense, such as "children grow up".)	II-5, 29, 116 III-13
	grow (to) *see* **raise (to)**	
	grown-up *see* **adult**	



guard duty — II-107, III-49
(limited time + person + to watch) (Israel)



guess (to), estimate (to) — II-39, III-19
(to think + question mark + minus + plus + action indicator: to reason on the basis of information of uncertain accuracy)

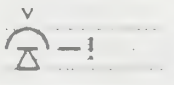
guest — *see* **visitor**

guide — *see* **leader**

guide (to) — *see* **lead (to)**



guilt — II-38, 45, III-19
(mind + to weigh + negative: the mind weighs something and judges it to be negative)



guilty — II-42, 43*n*, 47*c*, 52, III-19
(guilt + description indicator)

guinea pig — *see* **gerbil**



gull, sea gull — II-11, III-22
(water bird + waste: water bird that feeds on refuse, a scavenger)



gun, firearm — II-74, 107, III-20
(pictograph: symbol suggests a gun with a trigger area)

gun — *see* **cannon**

guppy — *see* **goldfish**



gym, gymnasium — II-71, 122, III-28
(room + activity + healthy: room for activity that keeps one healthy)



gym mat — II-121, III-28
(floor covering + sport: floor covering used for sports)

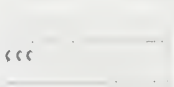
gymnasium — *see* **gym**



Haggadah (Hebrew) — II-113, III-25
(book + Passover: book used at Passover ceremonial meal)



hail — II-4, III-1
(ice + down: ice particles that fall down from the sky)



hair — II-20, III-24
(pictograph: used only in association with a body part or animal symbol)

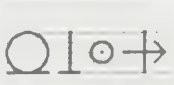


hair — II-20, III-24
(head + hair + pointer, to hair)

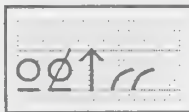
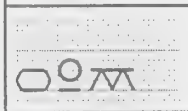
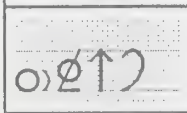
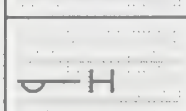
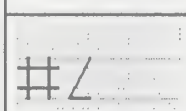
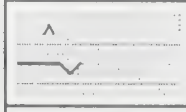
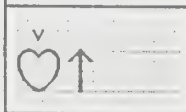
hair (animal) — *see* **fur**

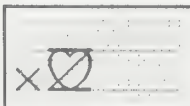
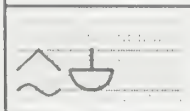
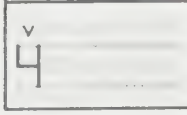
hair (pubic) — *see* **pubic hair**

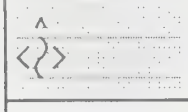
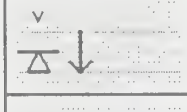
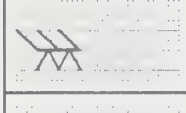
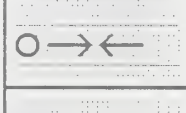
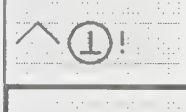
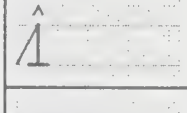
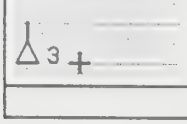
hairdresser — *see* **barber**

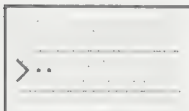
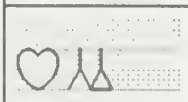
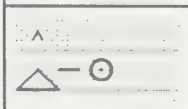
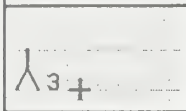
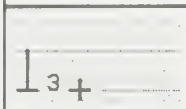
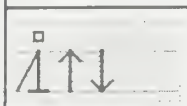
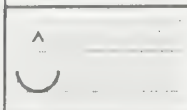


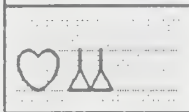
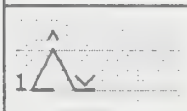
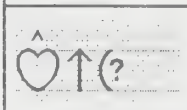
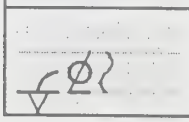
Halloween — II-115, III-11
(day + ghost: day for ghosts)

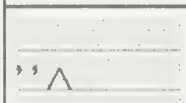
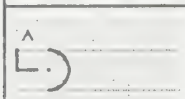
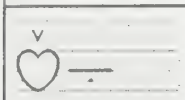
	**halvah** (food + sweet + grain: Middle Eastern sweet)	II-58 III-15
	ham *see* **pork**	
	**hamburger** (roll + meat)	II-60 III-24
	**hamentasch (Hebrew)** (cookie + ear: cookie shaped like an ear, eaten on Purim)	II-59, 113 III-17
	**hammer, gavel, mallet** (pictograph: symbol looks like a hammer ready to strike)	II-74, 118 III-53
	hamster *see* **gerbil**	
	**hand** (pictograph: symbol reproduces the shape formed by the thumb and the index finger)	II-20, 80 III-42
	**handbag** (pictograph: symbol suggests a handbag with a handle) See also: **pocketbook, purse.**	II-55 III-20
	**handball** (sport [contraction] + ball + hand)	II-121 III-41
	**handgun, pistol** (gun + small)	II-74, 107 III-20
	handicap *see* **disability**	
	**handkerchief** (cloth + nose)	II-24, 54 III-5
	handle *see* **switch**	
	**handmade object** (craft + thing indicator: handmade object produced by a craftsman, e.g. a quilt or a plaque)	II-117 III-29
	handsome *see* **beautiful**	
	**hang (to), hook (to)** (hook + action indicator)	II-32 III-45
	hanger *see* **hook**	
	**happen (to), occur (to)** (event + action indicator)	II-32 III-16
	happening *see* **event**	
	happily *see* **happy**	
	**happiness, fun, joy, pleasure** (feeling + up: uplifted feeling)	II-45, 46*c* III-3
	**happy, glad, gladly, happily** (happiness + description indicator)	II-46*c*, 51, 132*n* III-3

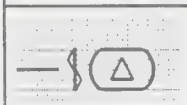
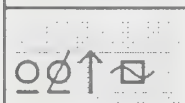
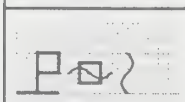
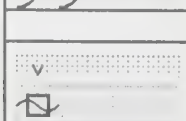
	**harassment** (many + disturbance)	II-45, 47*c* III-38
	**harbour** (protection + water + boat)	II-2, 124 III-33
	**hard, firm** (opposite meaning + soft + description indicator)	II-80 III-43
	hard *see* **difficult**	
	hare *see* **rabbit**	
	**harmony** (feeling + to agree: feeling of agreement)	II-45, 49*c* III-3
	**harvest** (knife + grain: cutting of grain)	II-103 III-39
	has *see* **have (to)**	
	**hat, cap, hood** (protection + head: protective covering for the head)	II-54, 128*n* III-32
	**hate (to)** (opposite meaning + to love + action indicator) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-50 III-43
	hate (to) (Hebrew) *see* **dislike (to)**	
	**havdalah (Hebrew)** (end + Sabbath: ceremony to mark the end of the Sabbath)	II-113, 115 III-8
	**have (to)** (to own [half-sized] + action indicator: to have something in one's possession without necessarily owning it)	II-30, 30*n* III-37
	have [past action] *see Note p. II-30*	
	**hawk, eagle** (bird + up + intensity: bird that soars)	II-11 III-21
	**he, him, himself** (male + 3: third person (m.sing.)	II-14, 128*n* III-50
	**he or she, him or her** (person + 3: third person (sing.), unmarked for gender)	II-14 III-36
	**head** (pictograph: symbol suggests a human head, with two lines indicating nose and mouth)	II-20 III-10
	**health** (person [modified] + arm: symbol suggests the outline of a person, arm bent, as if exercising to maintain health)	II-108 III-32
	**healthy, well** (health + description indicator)	II-23, 108 III-32

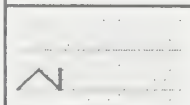
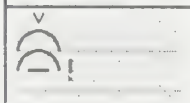
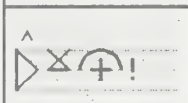
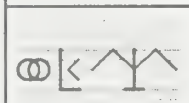
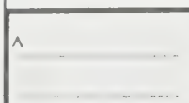
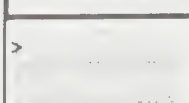
	**hear (to), listen (to)** (ear + action indicator)	II-78 III-6
	**hearing aid** (aid + ear + electricity + thing indicator: electrical aid for the ear)	II-78, 109 III-52
	**hearing impaired** (limits + to hear + description indicator)	II-78, 108 III-48
	**heart** (feeling + thing indicator: organ of the body. The symbol is the concrete form of **feeling, emotion.**)	II-21, 70*n* III-2
	**heat** (fire + two pointers, suggesting radiation of heat)	II-4, 77 III-35
	**heat (to)** (heat + action indicator)	II-67, 77, 117 III-35
	heater *see* **stove**	
	**heavy** (weight + down + description indicator: causing the scales to go down)	II-85 III-44
	**hedgehog** (animal + pictograph of spines)	II-8, 10*c* III-53
	**heel** (legs and feet + pointer, to heel)	II-20 III-40
	**helicopter** (pictograph derived from airplane)	II-100, 107 III-52
	**hello, greetings** (mouth + to meet: what you say when you meet someone)	II-95 III-13
	**helmet** (hat + intensity: reinforced hat)	II-54, 122 III-33
	**help, aid, assistance, support** (diagonal line + person: the person symbol appears to be helping the leaning line)	II-31, 48*c* III-52
	**help (to), aid (to), assist (to), serve (to), support (to)** (help + action indicator)	II-31 III-52
	**helper, aide, assistant** (person + help: person who gives aid)	II-18, 114 III-36
	**her, hers** (she + belongs to: second person (f.sing.) possessive)	II-14 III-50
	her *see* **she**	

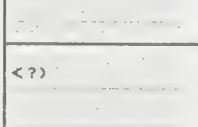
	**here** (relation [half-sized] + two dots: the repeated dot stresses a relationship to a certain point in space)	II-91 III-35
	hers *see* **her**	
	herself *see* **she**	
	**heterosexuality** (sexuality [contraction] + man + woman: intimate sexual relationship between a man and a woman)	II-28, 48*c* III-4
	hide *see* **animal skin**	
	**hide (to), conceal (to)** (to make + minus + to see + action indicator: to make invisible)	II-33, 119 III-29
	**high, tall** (two horizontal reference lines [half-sized] + description indicator: the space between the reference lines is the highest possible within the symbol square) See also: **low**.	II-23, 85 III-46
	**hill** (mountain + little: small mountain)	II-2, 124 III-30
	him *see* **he**	
	him or her *see* **he or she**	
	himself *see* **he**	
	**hip** (legs and feet + pointer, to hip)	II-20 III-40
	**hippopotamus** (combination of water animal *and* horse: taken from Greek, "horse of the river", an animal that spends much time in water)	II-7, 10*c* III-45
	**his** (he + belongs to: third person (m.sing.) possessive)	II-14 III-50
	**his or her, his or hers** (person + 3 + belongs to: third person (sing.) possessive, unmarked for gender)	II-14 III-36
	his or hers *see* **his or her**	
	**hit (to)** (to touch + two intensity symbols + action indicator: to use the hand forcefully)	II-36, 80, 122 III-42
	**hobby, pastime** (activity + interesting)	II-116 III-41
	hockey (UK) *see* **field hockey**	
	**hoist, lift** (aid + up and down + thing indicator)	II-109 III-52
	**hold (to), contain (to)** (container + action indicator)	II-30 III-19
	holder *see* **container**	
	**hole** (earth [half-sized] + container + earth [half-sized]: symbol suggests a hole in the ground)	II-2, 120 III-47

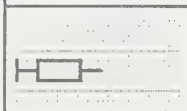
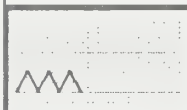
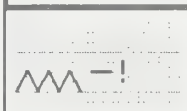
	**holiday, festival** (day + happy: day for happy activities)	II-46*c*, 115, 123 III-11
	holiday *see* **vacation**	
	Holland *see* **Netherlands (The)**	
	**home** (house + feeling: house to which one is emotionally tied)	II-69, 123, 124 III-5
	**home run** (4 + baseball diamond + pointer: a run around all four bases)	II-121 III-55
	**homosexuality (female), lesbianism** (sexuality [contraction] + woman + woman: intimate sexual relationship between women)	II-28, 48*c* III-4
	**homosexuality (male)** (sexuality [contraction] + man + man: intimate sexual relationship between men)	II-28, 48*c* III-4
	**honey** (food + flower: food obtained from the nectar of flowers) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-59, 60*n* III-15
	**honey** (spread + flower: spread obtained from the nectar of flowers) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-59, 60*n* III-15
	hood *see* **hat**	
	hoof *see* **paw**	
	**hook, hanger** (pictograph)	II-74 III-45
	hook (to) *see* **hang (to)**	
	**hop (to)** (1 + foot + action indicator: to go on one foot)	II-35, 119 III-55
	**hope (to)** (happy + future + question mark + action indicator: to have a happy feeling about the future despite its uncertainties)	II-41, 46*c*, 50 III-3
	**horizon** (early morning + pointer, to horizon)	II-2 III-19
	**horn** (pictograph)	II-99 III-45
	**horn(s), antler(s)** (bovine/ovine + pointer, to horns)	II-9 III-45
	**horse** (animal + pictograph of horse's head and neck)	II-7, 9*n* III-45
	**horseradish** (vegetable (wedge-shaped) + hot: wedge-shaped vegetable with a hot-tasting edible root)	II-63, 64*c* III-46

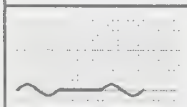
	hose *see* **pipe**	
	**hospital, clinic** (building + medical: building where medical services are available)	II-69, 108, 114 III-5
	hostel (UK) *see* **residential institution**	
	**hot** (heat + description indicator)	II-4, 23, 40*n*, 66 III-35
	**hot, spicey** (taste + fire + description indicator)	II-65, 79 III-15
	hot chocolate *see* **chocolate drink**	
	**hot dog, frankfurter** (roll + meat + long)	II-60 III-24
	hot dog *see* **sausage**	
	**hotel, motel** (building + person + to travel: building where travelers stay)	II-69, 105, 123 III-6
	hothouse *see* **greenhouse**	
	**hour, o'clock** (time + degree, to indicate an hour)	II-88 III-12
	**house, building, dwelling, residence** (pictograph: symbol looks like the outline of a house.The symbol also can be explained as: combination of enclosure *and* protection.)	II-69, 104, 107*n* III-5
	housecoat *see* **dressing gown**	
	**how** (relativizer + action) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-127, 129*n* III-54
	how *see* **relativizer**	
	**how ?** (what ? + action: interrogative)	II-127 III-54
	how many ? *see* **how much ?**	
	**how much ?, how many ?** (what ?+ quantity)	II-84, 127 III-54
	**hug (to), cuddle (to), embrace (to)** (arm + around + action indicator)	II-28, 29 III-32
	human being *see* **person**	
	**humble, meek** (feeling + inferior + description indicator: lacking a feeling of pride)	II-49*c*, 51 III-4
	**hummus** (spread + bean: Middle Eastern spread made from chick-peas)	II-59 III-16
	humorous *see* **funny**	

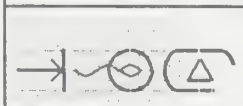
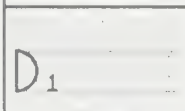
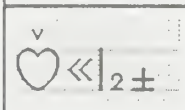
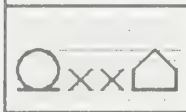
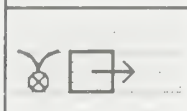
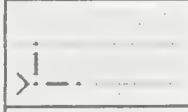
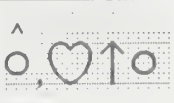
	**hungry** (feeling + minus + food + description indicator: having a feeling caused by the lack of food)	II-47*c*, 52, 58 III-4
	**hurt (to), pain (to feel), suffer (to)** (pain + action indicator)	II-21, 52, 109 III-3
	hurt (to) *see* **injure (to)**	
	**husband** (man + protection: this symbol, joined to the symbol for **wife**, produces **family**)	II-17 III-50
	hut *see* **cabin**	
	**hypodermic needle** (syringe + pointer, to needle)	II-109 III-51
	**hysterectomy** (to remove + medical + uterus)	II-26 III-44
	**I, me, myself** (person + 1: the first person singular) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-14, 16*n*, 129*n* III-36
	**I, me, myself (f.)** (female + 1: first person singular (f.)) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-14, 16*n* III-50
	**I, me, myself (m.)** (male + 1: first person singular (m.)) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-14, 16*n* III-50
	**ice** (water + thing: water transformed into a solid thing)	II-4 III-2
	**ice cream, sherbet** (food + sweet + ice: sweet frozen food)	II-59 III-15
	**ice cream cone** (pictograph)	II-59 III-20
	**ice hockey** (sport [contraction] + sport stick + disc + ice: game played on ice with a stick and a rubber disc)	II-121 III-41
	**Iceland** (country + ice + fire: country characterized by ice and fiery volcanoes)	II-3, 106 III-51
	**ice skates** (legs and feet + two curved lines suggesting skates)	II-119, 121 III-40
	ick! *see Note p. II-53*	
	**icy, frozen** (ice + description indicator)	II-66 III-2

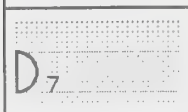
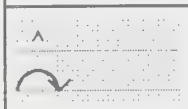
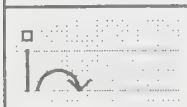
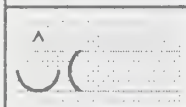
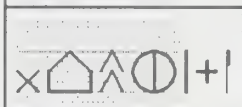
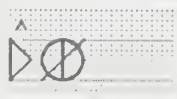
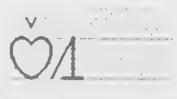
	**idea, thought** (mind + down: a thought issuing from the mind)	II-38 III-18
	**if** (question mark + either)	II-125 III-54
	ill *see* **sick**	
	**illness, disease, person (sick), sickness** (pictograph of a person with knees drawn up in pain)	II-108 III-34
	**immoral, bad, wrong** (conscience + negative + description indicator: morally wrong or bad) See also: **bad** *and* **incorrect.**	II-42, 112 III-18
	immortality *see* **eternal life**	
	**important, significant** (mind + two intensity symbols + description indicator: of intense interest)	II-42 III-19
	**improve (to)** (to cause + more + correct + action indicator: to cause to be better, in a rational sense)	II-33 III-30
	**in, inside, interior, internal** (enclosure + dot, inside the enclosure)	II-91, 97*n*, 126 III-25
	in front of *see* **before**	
	in order to *see* **for (the purpose of)**	
	in relation to *see* **about**	
	inaccurate *see* **incorrect**	
	**incest** (sexual intercourse + relative)	II-28 III-16
	**include (to)** (inside + action indicator)	II-31, 32 III-25
	**incorrect, bad, inaccurate, wrong** (mind + negative + description indicator: thought to be wrong or bad in a rational sense) See also: **bad** and **immoral.**	II-42, 43*n* III-19
	**increase (to), enlarge (to)** (big + action indicator: to become bigger)	II-31, 85 III-46
	indecent exposure *see* **exhibitionism**	
	**Independence Day** (day + Israel) (Israel)	II-115 III-11
	indicate (to) *see* **point (to)**	
	**indicator (action)** (action [quarter-sized]: placed above a symbol to create (1) the infinitive form of a verb, and (2) the present tense of a verb)	II-25*n*, 30*n*, 130 III-41
	**indicator (active)** (action indicator, turned on its side and pointing forward: placed above another symbol to emphasize that something is acting on something else. The symbol is logically related to **about.**)	II-130 III-41

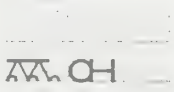
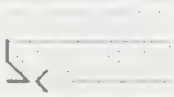
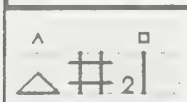
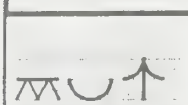
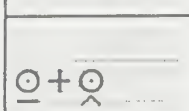
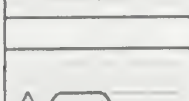
	**indicator (conditional)** (question mark [quarter-sized]: placed above a symbol to indicate the equivalent of the English present conditional form)	**II**-30*n*, 130 **III**-55
	**indicator (description)** (evaluation [quarter-sized]: placed above another symbol to show that it is describing or evaluating something. This indicator produces meanings equivalent to English adjectives and adverbs.) See Note, p. **II**-53.	**II**-25*n*, 53*n*, 130 **III**-41
	**indicator (description after the fact)** (description indicator + dot: placed above another symbol to indicate meanings equivalent to an English past participle, usually with an -ed or -en ending) See Note, p. **II**-53.	**II**-53*n*, 130 **III**-41
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	**indicator (future action)** (future [quarter-sized]: placed above another symbol to indicate future action)	**II**-30*n*, 130 **III**-24
	**indicator (future conditional)** (question mark [quarter-sized] + future action indicator: placed above another symbol to indicate the future conditional form)	**II**-130 **III**-55
	**indicator (future passive)** (passive indicator + future action indicator)	**II**-130 **III**-41
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	**indicator (passive conditional)** (passive indicator + conditional indicator)	**II**-130 **III**-41
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	**indicator (past conditional)** (conditional indicator + past action indicator: placed above a symbol to indicate the past conditional form)	**II**-130 **III**-55
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	**indicator (past passive conditional)** (passive indicator + past conditional indicator)	**II**-130 **III**-41
	**indicator (plural)** (multiplication [quarter-sized]: placed above another symbol to indicate a plural form)	**II**-25*n*, 130 **III**-39
	**indicator (thing)** (thing [quarter-sized]: placed above another symbol to represent a concrete object) See Note p. II-70.	**II**-25*n*, 130 **III**-26

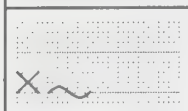
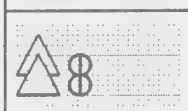
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	individual *see* **person**	
	inexpensive *see* **cheap**	
	infant *see* **baby**	
	inferior *see* **under**	
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	intelligent *see* **smart**	
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	intercourse *see* **sexual intercourse**	

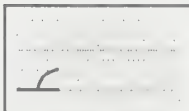
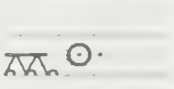
	**interesting** (mind + intensity + description indicator: engaging the mind)	II-42 III-19
	interior *see* **in**	
	internal *see* **in**	
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	**into** (forward + enclosure: the arrow is entering the enclosure)	II-93, 126 III-7
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	**Ireland** (country + shamrock)	II-3, 106 III-51
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	**it's clear (Hebrew)** (to understand + through + description indicator)	II-96 III-7

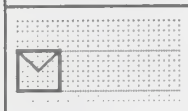
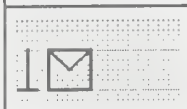
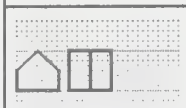
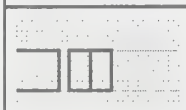
	**its** (it + belongs to: refers to things rather than to people)	II-15 III-51
	**IUD, intra-uterine device** (birth control + uterus)	II-27 III-8
	**Iyar (Hebrew)** (month + Israel: month of Independence Day)	II-89 III-49
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	**January** (month + 1: first month of the year)	II-89 III-49
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	**Jerusalem Day** (day + city + first) (Israel)	II-115 III-11
	**Jesus Christ, Christ** (man + cross: a man regarded by Christians as being the Son of God, who died on the cross)	II-112 III-50
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	**jewel** (stone + to shine)	II-55 III-30
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	**joint** (two bones with a pointer to the junction where they meet)	II-20 III-30
	**joke (to)** (to say + comma + funny + action indicator: to say something in order to be funny)	II-50, 94, 117 III-13
	journal *see* **magazine**	
	journey *see* **trip**	
	joy *see* **happiness**	

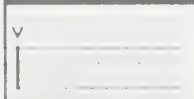
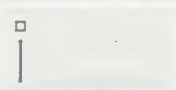
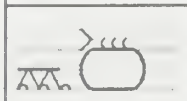
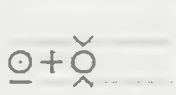
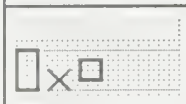
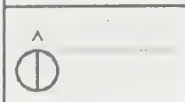
	judo *see* **wrestling**	
	jug *see* **pitcher**	
	**July** (month + 7: seventh month of the year)	II-89 III-49
	**jump (to)** (curved arrow, indicating the path of a jump + action indicator)	II-36, 119, 122 III-9
	**jump rope, skipping rope** (linear thing + to jump + thing indicator)	II-119 III-48
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	**Kabbalat Shabbat (Hebrew)** (greeting + Sabbath: ceremony to welcome the Sabbath)	II-113 III-13
	**Kali** (goddess + black: Hindu goddess) (India)	II-112 III-40
	**kangaroo, animal (marsupial), marsupial, wallaby** (animal + pouch)	II-8 III-44
	**keep (to), preserve (to), save (to)** (to hold + future + action indicator: to hold for the future)	II-30 III-20
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	**kind, kindly** (feeling + help + description indicator: feeling of wanting to be helpful)	II-48*c*, 51 III-4
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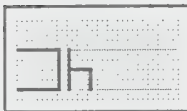
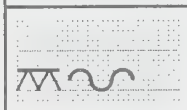
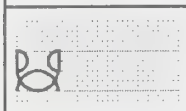
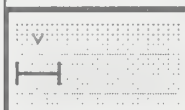
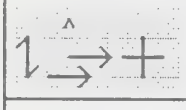
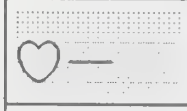
	**king** (man + royal)	II-98, 106 III-50
	kipa (Hebrew) *see* **skull cap**	
	**Kislev (Hebrew)** (month + happy + light: month of Chanukah)	II-46*c*, 89 III-49
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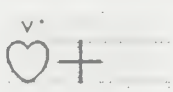
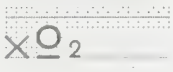
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	launderette *see* **laundromat**	
	**laundromat, launderette, laundry (UK)** (public room + to wash + clothing)	II-71 III-28
	laundry (UK) *see* **laundromat**	

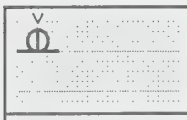
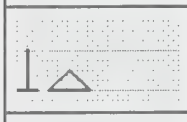
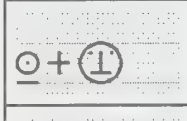
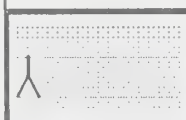
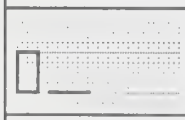
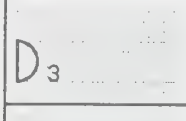
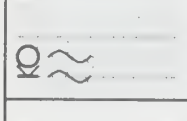
	**lawn, meadow** (grass + earth: land covered with grass)	II-5 III-46
	**lead (to), direct (to), guide (to)** (mind + forward + action indicator: to use mental powers to carry events or persons forward)	II-32, 38 III-19
	**leader, director, guide** (person + to lead)	II-19, 106 III-36
	**leaf** (pictograph)	II-5, 64*c* III-23
	leafy vegetable *see* **lettuce**	
	**learn (to)** (to receive + knowledge + action indicator)	II-31, 42, 110 III-8
	least *see* **fewest**	
	**leather** (material + animal skin: material made from an animal skin)	II-9, 55, 103, 118 III-26
	leave (to) *see* **go (to)**	
	**left** (vertical line, with horizontal line [half-sized] extending to the left + description indicator)	II-93 III-32
	**leg** (legs and feet + pointer, to leg)	II-20 III-40
	**legs and feet** (pictograph: symbol suggests a side view of a pair of legs and feet)	II-20 III-40
	**lemon** (pictograph with stem)	II-61, 62*c* III-23
	**lemonade** (drink + lemon)	II-65 III-2
	**lend (to), loan (to)** (to give + limited time + action indicator: to give for a limited time)	II-31, 105 III-7
	**length** (horizontal line bounded by two reference lines [half-sized]: the horizontal line extends full length within the symbol square)	II-82 III-51
	**leopard** (feline + spot: feline with spots)	II-7 III-45
	lesbianism *see* **homosexuality (female)**	
	less *see* **fewer**	
	**let (to), allow (to), permit (to)** (mind + through + action indicator: CKB says that the symbol represents a thought that is allowed to pass through a mental barrier)	II-39 III-18

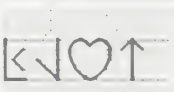
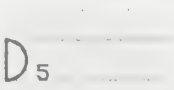
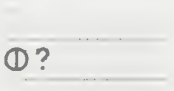
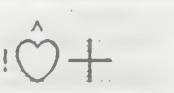
	**let's** (command + to let + us + action indicator + plural indicator: the first person plural imperative of "to let")	II-96 III-54
	**letter, mail, post** (pictograph: symbol suggests an envelope)	II-97 III-25
	letterbox (Aus) *see* **mailbox**	
	**letter carrier, mailman, postman** (person + letter)	II-18, 114 III-36
	letters *see* **alphabet**	
	**lettuce, leafy vegetable** (earth + outline of leaves: symbol suggests a leafy vegetable with the grass-like edible portion above ground)	II-5, 64*c* III-22
	liberty *see* **freedom**	
	libido *see* **sex drive**	
	**library** (building + book: building that contains a collection of books) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-68*n*, 69, 110, 114, 124 III-5
	**library** (room + book: room that contains a collection of books) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-68*n*, 71, 110 III-27
	**lie** (opposite meaning + truth)	II-38 III-42
	**lie (to)** (lie + action indicator)	II-39 III-42
	**lie down (to)** (person lying down + action indicator)	II-13*n*, 37 III-32
	**life** (combination of sun *and* person: energy produced by the sun supports life on earth)	II-29 III-11
	lift (Aus/UK) *see* **elevator**	
	lift *see* **hoist**	
	**lift (to), raise (to)** (up + weight + action indicator: to raise a weight)	II-35, 92 III-7
	**light** (sun + eye: we see by the light of the sun)	II-1 III-10
	**lightning** (sky + electricity: electricity that comes from the sky)	II-4 III-44
	like *see* **similar**	
	**like (to)** (goodness + action indicator: to have a positive or good feeling toward someone or something)	II-41, 43*n*, 47*c*, 50 III-4
	likely *see* **probable**	

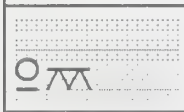
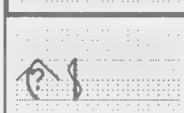
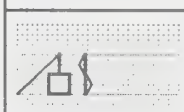
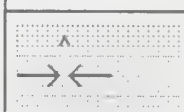
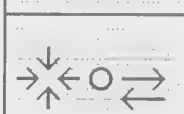
	**lime** (citrus fruit + green)	II-61, 62*c* III-17
	limitation *see* **limits**	
	**limited time, interval, period** (time + limits)	II-87 III-48
	limitless *see* **infinite**	
	**limits, limitation** (two reference lines on the vertical boundaries of the symbol for **enclosure**, limiting what lies between them)	II-82, 85, 87, 91 III-48
	**line, stripe** (symbol is a full-sized vertical line)	II-86 III-48
	**linear, straight** (line + description indicator)	II-86 III-48
	**linear thing** (line + thing indicator)	II-86 III-48
	lingonberry *see* **mountain berry**	
	link (to) *see* **combine (to)**	
	linoleum *see* **floor covering**	
	**lion** (feline + hair + pointer, to mane: male of the species has a mane)	II-7 III-45
	**lips** (mouth + two pointers)	II-20 III-13
	**lipstick** (colour + plus + lips: colour added to lips)	II-25 III-14
	liquid *see* **water**	
	liquor *see* **alcoholic drink**	
	**list, inventory** (paper + many + thing: written record of many things)	II-96 III-27
	listen (to) *see* **hear (to)**	
	**little, small** (vertical line [half-sized] bounded by two horizontal reference lines [half-sized] + description indicator: the vertical line is relatively little) See also: **big.**	II-23, 66, 85 III-47
	little *see* **few**	
	**live (to)** (life + action indicator) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-29, 30*n* III-11
	**live (to), dwell (to), reside (to)** (house + action indicator) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-29, 37, 69 III-5

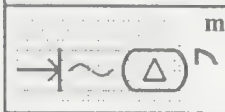
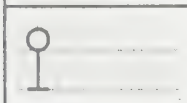
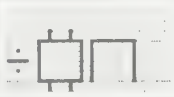
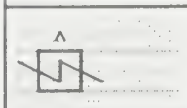
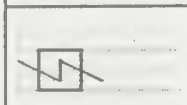
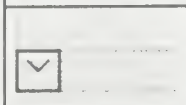
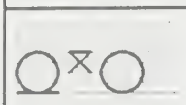
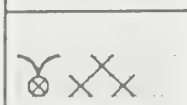
	**living room, lounge, sitting room, waiting room** (room + chair: room where one can sit)	II-71 III-28
	**lizard, animal (snake-like), reptile** (animal + snake: snake-like animal)	II-8 III-44
	loaf of bread *see* **bread**	
	loan (to) *see* **lend (to)**	
	**lobster, crab, crayfish** (pictograph: symbol suggests a crustacean with pincers)	II-12 III-50
	locate (to) *see* **put (to)**	
	location *see* **place**	
	**lock (to)** (key + action indicator)	II-32 III-32
	log *see* **stick**	
	**lonely, lonesome** (feeling + minus + person + description indicator: feeling of being without companionship)	II-47*c*, 51 III-4
	lonesome *see* **lonely**	
	**long** (length + description indicator)	II-82, 85 III-51
	**longer** (more + long + description indicator)	II-85 III-38
	**longest** (most + long + description indicator)	II-85 III-46
	look (to) *see* **see (to)**	
	looks similar *see* **similar looking**	
	lorry (UK) *see* **truck**	
	**lose (to)** (opposite meaning + to find + action indicator)	II-32 III-42
	**lose (to)** (opposite meaning + to win + action indicator)	II-33, 57*n*, 120, 122 III-42
	lose (to) *see* **miss (to)**	
	**loss** (feeling + to take away: emotional response to the loss of someone or something)	II-45, 47*c* III-4
	loss *see* **subtraction**	
	**loud, noisy** (sound + intensity + description indicator)	II-78, 132*n* III-6
	louder *see Note p. II-132*	
	loudest *see Note p. II-132*	
	lounge *see* **living room**	

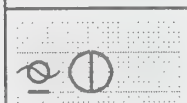
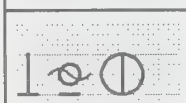
	**lovable** (love + description before the fact indicator)	II-48*c*, 51 III-47
	**love, affection** (feeling + arrow: feeling as if an arrow is piercing one's heart)	II-45, 48*c* III-47
	**love (to)** (love + action indicator)	II-16*n*, 48*c*, 50 III-47
	lover *see* **sweetheart**	
	**low, short** (two horizontal reference lines [half-sized] + description indicator: the space between the reference lines is relatively low) See also: **high**.	II-23, 85 III-47
	loyalty *see* **fidelity**	
	lubricant *see* **oil**	
	**luck** (feeling + addition: having a "big plus" or advantage)	II-45, 47*c* III-4
	**lucky, fortunate** (luck + description after the fact indicator: feeling one has a "big plus" or advantage)	II-47*c*, 51 III-4
	luggage *see* **baggage**	
	**lulav (Hebrew)** (3 + branch + Sukkot)	II-113 III-55
	lumber *see* **wood**	
	**lunch, dinner** (meal + 2: second meal of the day)	II-66 III-38
	lungi *see* **dhoti**	
	**machine, appliance, engine, motor** (sun + wheel: the sun provides the energy that drives the wheels of machinery)	II-75 III-10
	mad *see* **angry**	
	**magazine, journal** (book + often: book that is published at frequent intervals)	II-97, 110, 116 III-25
	mail *see* **letter**	
	**mail (to), post (to)** (mail + action indicator)	II-32 III-25
	**mailbox, letterbox (Aus), postbox (UK)** (enclosure + letter)	II-70 III-24
	mailman *see* **letter carrier**	
	**make (to), manufacture (to), produce (to)** (creation [modified] + action indicator: imperfect version of **creation**, represents man-made)	II-33, 56, 104, 117 III-29
	make believe (to) *see* **pretend (to)**	

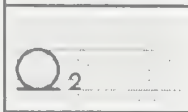
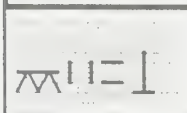
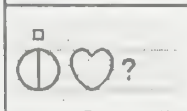
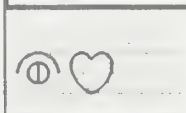
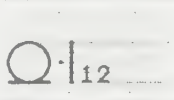
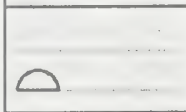
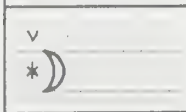
	**make-believe** (to pretend + description indicator)	**II**-41, 98 **III**-12
	**maker, manufacturer, producer** (person + to make)	**II**-19, 104 **III**-36
	**make-up** (colour + plus + face: colour added to the face)	**II**-25 **III**-14
	**male** (man [modified]: this form of **man** is used only in compound symbols to specify gender or sex)	**II**-14, 26 **III**-40
	male *see* **man**	
	**male, masculine** (man + description indicator)	**II**-14, 26 **III**-50
	mall *see* **shopping centre**	
	mallet *see* **hammer**	
	**man, male** (combination of person *and* action: CKB says man embodies the action principle in society. The symbol also looks like a stick figure of a man wearing trousers.) See also: **male**.	**II**-14, 26, 128*n*, 129*n* **III**-50
	**man, male** (standing person + pictograph of penis: used as the source for **penis**) SYMBOL SYNONYM	**II**-26 **III**-32
	**manager, secretary** (person + to plan + work: person who organizes the work)	**II**-19, 104, 114 **III**-36
	mandarin *see* **tangerine**	
	**mango** (pictograph with stem + pit)	**II**-61, 62*c* **III**-1
	**man-made** (to make + description indicator)	**II**-33 **III**-29
	manufacture (to) *see* **make (to)**	
	manufacturer *see* **maker**	
	many *see* **much**	
	**map** (paper + earth: graphic representation of the earth)	**II**-2, 96, 110 **III**-27
	**maple leaf** (pictograph)	**II**-5 **III**-47
	**March** (month + 3: third month of the year)	**II**-89 **III**-49
	**margarine** (spread + oil)	**II**-59 **III**-15
	mark *see* **spot**	

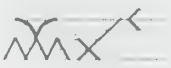
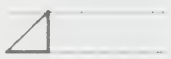
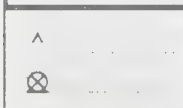
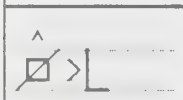
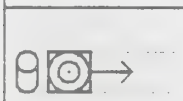
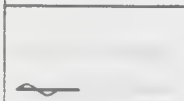
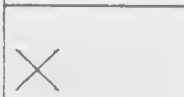
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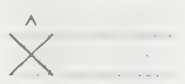
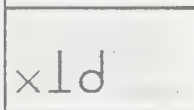
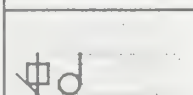
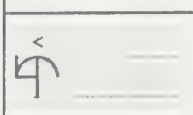
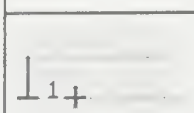
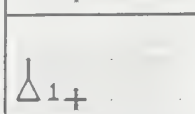
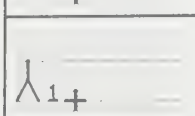
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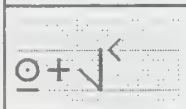
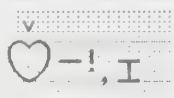
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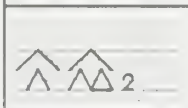
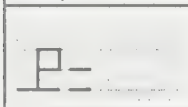
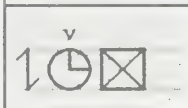
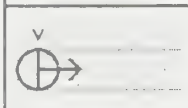
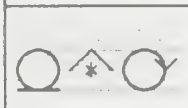
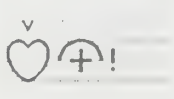
	**military reserve duty** (limited time + soldier: service as a soldier for a limited time only) (Israel)	II-107 III-49
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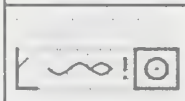
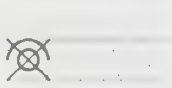
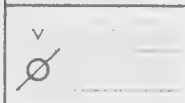
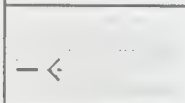
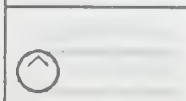
	moadan (Israel) *see* **recreation centre**	
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	mommy *see* **mother**	
	**Monday** (day + 2: second day of the week)	II-89 III-11
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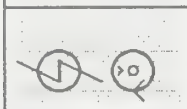
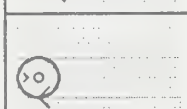
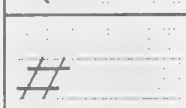
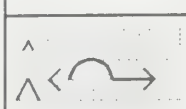
	**mosquito** (insect + to fly + to puncture: flying insect that punctures the skin)	II-12 III-21
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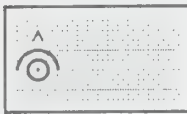
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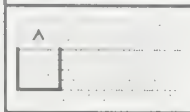
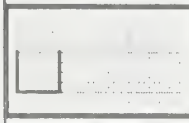
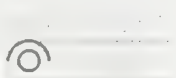
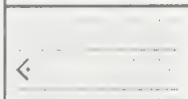
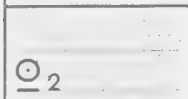
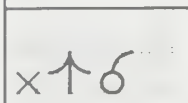
	myself *see* **I**	
	**nail** (pictograph: symbol suggests a nail. It is twice the height of the pin symbol)	II-74, 118 III-46
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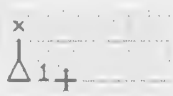
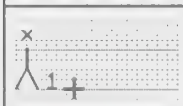
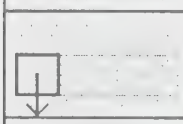
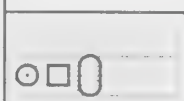
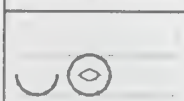
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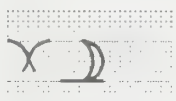
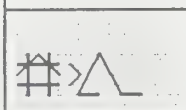
	**niece** (daughter + sibling: daughter of one's brother or sister)	II-17 III-34
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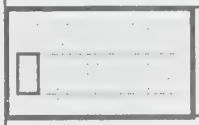
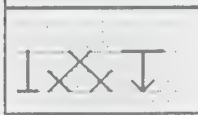
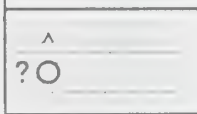
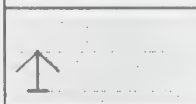
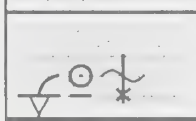
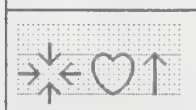
	**northern** (north + description indicator)	II-3, 93 III-9
	**nose** (pictograph: symbol suggests the side view of a nose)	II-20, 79 III-43
	**not, negative, no** (minus + intensity: also used before a verb to create a negative sentence)	II-43*n*, 126, 131 III-47
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	nothing *see* **none**	
	**November** (month + 11: eleventh month of the year)	II-89 III-49
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	o'clock *see* **hour**	
	**obey (to), comply (to)** (to do + by + to guide + action indicator: to do something by the rules)	II-32, 38 III-41
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	object (to) *see* **protest (to)**	
	oblong *see* **rectangle**; *see also* **rectangluar**	

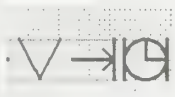
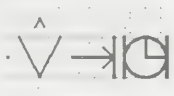
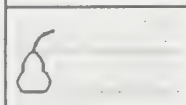
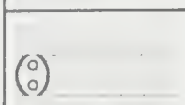
	**observe (to)** (mind + eye + action indicator: to look at something thoughtfully)	II-39 III-18
	occasion *see* **event**	
	occur (to) *see* **happen (to)**	
	**ocean, sea** (much + much + water: large body of water)	II-2, 6, 98, 101, 120, 124 III-38
	**October** (month + 10: tenth month of the year)	II-89 III-49
	odour *see* **smell**	
	of *see* **about**; *see also* **by**	
	of (possessive) *see* **belongs to**	
	off *see* **away**	
	offer (to) *see* **give (to)**	
	offering *see* **gift**	
	**office** (room + work + pencil: room where work is done)	II-71, 104, 114 III-28
	**offspring, child** (protection + male + female: male or female born under the family roof)	II-17 III-34
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	**old** (opposite meaning + new + description indicator)	II-87 III-42
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	on *see* **about**	
	**once** (1 + time + description indicator: on one occasion)	II-87 III-55
	**one** (Arabic numeral)	II-83 III-55
	oneself *see* **self**	

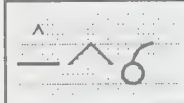
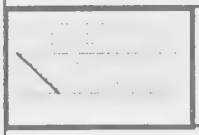
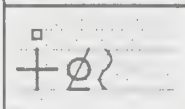
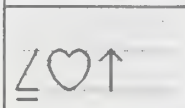
	**onion, vegetable (bulb)** (combination of vegetable below ground *and* bulb)	II-63, 64*c* III-46
	only *see* **alone**	
	**open** (opening + description indicator)	II-48*c*, 86 III-28
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	**opening** (enclosure, open at the top)	II-86 III-28
	**operation** (to cut + medical)	II-109 III-39
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	**opossum, possum** (marsupial + night: marsupial that comes out at night)	II-8 III-44
	opposed to *see* **against**	
	**opposite meaning, opposite of** (combination of up *and* down: up is the opposite of down. The symbol is placed before a second symbol to create an antonym or meaning that is the opposite of that of the second symbol.)	II-40*n*, 57*n*, 82, 131, 132*n* III-42
	opposite of *see* **opposite meaning**	
	**opposition, counter purpose** (two relation symbols, pointing in the opposite direction from the purpose symbol)	II-125 III-35
	**or** (relation [half-sized], pointing backward + dot: the second alternative, the reverse of **either**)	II-125 III-35
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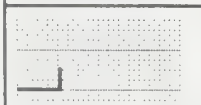
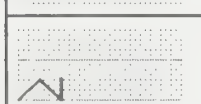
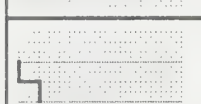
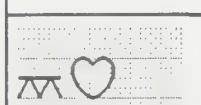
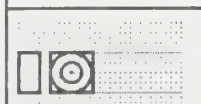
	**organize (to), arrange (to)** (to plan + many + thing + action indicator: to make a system from many things)	II-34, 39 III-19
	**orgasm** (excitement + genital)	II-28 III-4
	original *see Note p. II-132*	
	ornament *see* **decoration**	
	**ostrich** (bird + to walk: bird that walks or runs but does not fly)	II-11 III-21
	**other, other person, person (other)** (person [modified] + 2: referring to a second person)	II-13*n*, 15 III-48
	other *see* **different**	
	other person *see* **other**	
	**our, ours** (we + belongs to + plural indicator: first person plural, possessive)	II-15 III-36
	**our, ours (f.)** (female + 1 + belongs to + plural indicator: first person plural (f.), possessive) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-15 III-50
	**our, ours (m.)** (male + 1 + belongs to + plural indicator: first person plural (m.), possessive) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-15 III-50
	ours *see* **our**	
	ourselves *see* **we**	
	**out, exterior, external, outside** (enclosure + dot, outside the enclosure)	II-91, 97*n*, 126 III-24
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	outside *see* **out**	
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	**ovary** (container + egg)	II-26 III-20
	oven *see* **stove**	
	**over, above, superior** (dot + horizontal reference line: the dot is over or above the line)	II-49*c*, 91, 97*n*, 126 III-30
	overall *see* **apron**	

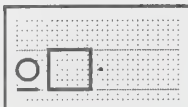
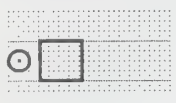
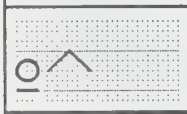
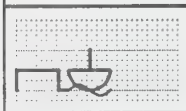
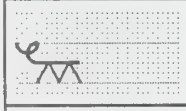
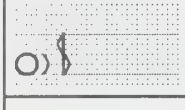
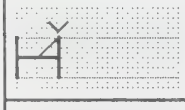
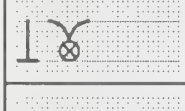
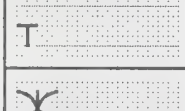
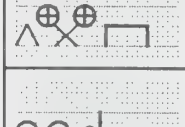
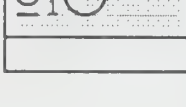
	overpass *see* **bridge**	
	ovine *see* **animal (bovine)**	
	ovum *see* **egg**	
	**owl, night bird** (bird + night)	II-11 III-21
	**own (to), possess (to)** (addition + earth + action indicator: CKB writes "an addition, a gain, a plus of some very earthly (material) thing")	II-30, 30*n* III-37
	**ox** (bovine + work: horned animal commonly used to assist with heavy labour)	II-7 III-45
	**oyster, clam** (pictograph of shell + water)	II-12 III-22
	package *see* **parcel**	
	paddling pool (UK) *see* **wading pool**	
	page *see* **paper**	
	**pail, bucket** (pictograph: symbol suggests a pail with a handle)	II-74, 120 III-52
	**pain, suffering** (feeling + sick: discomfort that makes one "draw up one's knees". The symbol usually represents physical pain but also can be used to represent emotional distress and suffering.)	II-52, 108 III-3
	pain (to feel) *see* **hurt (to)**	
	**painful, painfully, sore** (pain + description indicator)	II-23, 48*c*, 52, 108 III-3
	painfully *see* **painful**	
	**paint, dye** (chemical product + colour + liquid)	II-76, 99, 116, 118 III-53
	**paint (to), dye (to)** (paint + action indicator)	II-34, 99, 116 III-53
	**painter** (person + paint [contraction])	II-19, 99 III-36
	**pair** (2 + thing indicator: two items)	II-83 III-55
	pajamas *see* **pyjamas**	
	palace *see* **castle**	
	**palm tree** (pictograph: the symbols suggests a tree with curved fronds)	II-5 III-20
	pan *see* **pot**	
	panties *see* **underpants**	
	**pants, jeans, slacks, trousers** (clothing + leg: clothing that covers the legs)	II-54 III-33

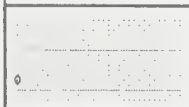
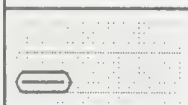
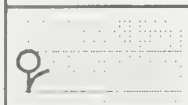
	pantyhose *see* **stocking(s)**	
	papa *see* **father**	
	**paper, card, document, page, written record** (pictograph: symbol suggests a sheet of paper or a page of a book) See also: **book**	II-96, 110, 118, 128*n* III-26
	**parakeet, budgie** (talking bird + little: small bird that can be trained to talk)	II-11 III-21
	**parallel** (international mathematical symbol)	II-84 III-48
	**paratrooper** (soldier + sky + down: soldier trained to jump down from the sky using a parachute)	II-18, 107 III-36
	**parcel, package** (pictograph)	II-97 III-26
	**pardon ?** (what ? + to say + action indicator)	II-96 III-54
	pardon (to) *see* **forgive (to)**	
	**parent** (protection + person: person who gives protection to his or her family)	II-17 III-34
	**park** (flower + earth + tree: place with flowers and trees)	II-6, 12, 119, 124 III-13
	**parrot, myna, talking bird** (bird + to talk: bird that can be trained to talk)	II-11 III-21
	**parsnip** (vegetable (wedge-shaped) + white: vegetable with a long, white, edible root)	II-63, 64*c* III-46
	**part, bit, piece, portion, part of** 1. (division [half-sized]: a part is created when something is divided); 2. (with the gloss **part of,** the symbol is used before another symbol to create a new meaning, which is *part of the meaning* of the original symbol, i.e., part of + language = word. See Note p. II-106)	II-57*n*, 84, 131, 132*n* III-30
	partner *see* **spouse**	
	**party, festival** (gathering + happy)	II-46*c*, 66, 115, 116 III-8
	pass *see* **ticket**	
	pass (to) *see* **continue (to)**	
	pass away (to) *see* **die (to)**	
	passive conditional indicator *see* **indicator (passive conditional)**	
	passive indicator *see* **indicator (passive)**	
	**Passover (Hebrew)** (week + bread + low: the week when unleavened bread, matzo, is eaten)	II-115 III-55

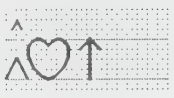
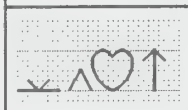
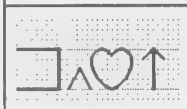
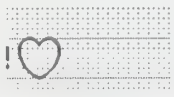
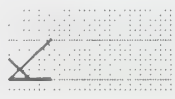
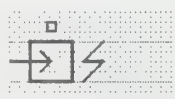
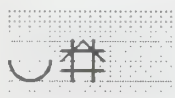
	**past** (outline of parabolic mirror focused on what lies behind it)	II-87 III-22
	past *see* **beyond**	
	past action indicator *see* **indicator (past action)**	
	past conditional indicator *see* **indicator (past conditional)**	
	past passive conditional indicator *see* **indicator (past passive conditional)**	
	past passive indicator *see* **indicator (past passive)**	
	paste *see* **glue**	
	paste (to) *see* **glue (to)**	
	pastime *see* **hobby**	
	pastor *see* **minister**	
	**patience** (ability + to wait)	II-33, 45, 48*c* III-31
	**patient (to be)** (patience + action indicator)	II-33, 37, 48*c*, 50 III-31
	**paw, hoof** (animal + pointer, to paw or hoof)	II-9 III-44
	pay *see* **wages**	
	**pay (to)** (to give + money + action indicator)	II-31, 105 III-7
	pea *see* **peas**	
	**peace** (opposite meaning + war)	II-107 III-43
	**peace, serenity** (feeling + world: feeling of being at one with the world)	II-45, 47*c* III-43
	**peaceful, serene** (peace + description indicator)	II-47*c*, 51 III-43
	**peach, nectarine** (pictograph with stem + pit)	II-61, 62*c* III-20
	**peacock** (bird + fan: bird with a tail that opens like a fan)	II-11 III-21
	**peanut butter** (spread + seed)	II-59 III-16
	**pear** (pictograph with stem)	II-61, 62*c* III-23
	**peas** (pictograph: symbol suggests a cross section of two peas in a pod)	II-63, 64*c* III-23

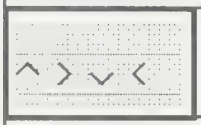
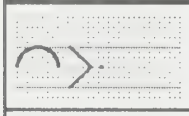
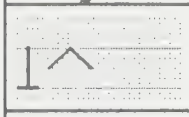
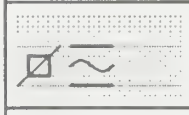
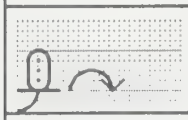
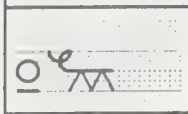
	pee *see Note p. II-53*	
	pee (to) *see* **urinate (to)**	
	**peel** (protection + fruit)	II-61, 62*c* III-33
	**peel (to)** (to remove + peel + action indicator)	II-67 III-44
	**pelican** (water bird + pouch: water bird with a pouch-shaped bill)	II-11 III-21
	pelt *see* **animal skin**	
	**pen, pencil** (pictograph: symbol suggests a pen or pencil in writing position)	II-96, 98, 110, 116, 118 III-53
	pencil *see* **pen**	
	penetrate (to) *see* **enter (to)**	
	**penetrate (to), go through (to)** (through + action indicator)	II-35 III-7
	**penguin** (water bird + to walk: water bird that walks)	II-11 III-22
	**penis** (standing person + pictograph of penis + pointer)	II-21, 26 III-32
	**pepper** (pictograph with stem)	II-63, 64*c* III-51
	**pepper** (combination of seasoning *and* hot + thing indicator)	II-59 III-37
	**percent** (international mathematical symbol)	II-84 III-55
	**perfume, fragrance** (smell + happy: pleasant smell)	II-25, 46*c*, 79 III-43
	perhaps *see* **maybe**	
	**period, decimal point** (1. used as punctuation in symbol sentences; 2. international mathematical symbol)	II-83. 128 III-54
	period *see* **limited time**; *see also* **menstruation**	
	perish (to) *see* **die (to)**	
	permit (to) *see* **let (to)**	
	**perpendicular** (international mathematical symbol)	II-84 III-48

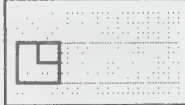
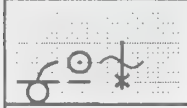
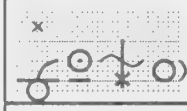
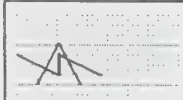
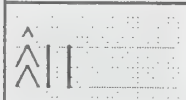
	**person, human being, individual** (symbol suggests a human being standing, with feet turned out)	II-13, 129*n* III-35
	**person (kneeling),** (person [modified], showing knees bent)	II-13*n* III-50
	**person (lying down)** (person [modified], lying on his back)	II-13*n* III-32
	**person (needy), need** (person [modified], leaning, i.e., in need)	II-13*n* III-37
	**person (other), other, other person** (person [modified] + 2: referring to a second person)	II-13*n* III-48
	**person (self), oneself, self** (1 + person [modified]: referring to oneself as person number one)	II-13*n* III-55
	**person (sick), illness** (person [modified], lying on his back with knees drawn up as if sick or in pain)	II-13*n* III-34
	**person (sitting)** (person [modified], in sitting position)	II-13*n* III-32
	**person (standing)** (person [modified], in standing position)	II-13*n* III-32
	**person (weak)** (person [modified], buckling at the knees as though weak)	II-13*n* III-34
	perspiration *see* **sweat**	
	perspire (to) *see* **sweat (to)**	
	**pet** (animal + feeling: animal for which one has feeling)	II--7, 9*n* III-44
	pet fish *see* **goldfish**	
	petrol (UK) *see* **gasoline**	
	petticoat *see* **slip**	
	pew *see* **bench**	
	phantom *see* **ghost**	
	**photograph** (paper + camera)	II-98, 110, 116 III-27
	phrase *see* **sentence**	
	physically disabled *see* **physically handicapped**	
	**physically handicapped, physically disabled** (limits + body + description indicator: having limits to one's physical abilities)	II-108 III-48
	physician *see* **doctor**	
	pick (to) *see* **choose (to)**	

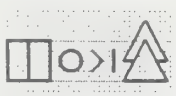
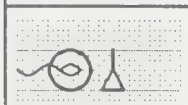
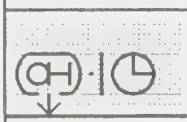
	**picnic** (food + outside: food eaten outside)	II-66, 124 III-16
	**picture** (eye + enclosure: what the eyes see in a frame)	II-72, 78, 98, 110, 116 III-14
	**pie, tart** (food + protection: food with a crust covering it)	II-58 III-16
	piece *see* **part**	
	**pier** (platform + combination of boat *and* to float)	II-101 III-29
	**pig** (animal + pictograph of curly tail)	II-8 III-20
	**pill, tablet** (disc + medical: medicine in disc form)	II-76, 109 III-17
	Pill (the) *see* **birth control pill**	
	**pillow, cushion** (bed + pointer, to pillow)	II-73 III-49
	**pillowcase** (cloth + pillow)	II-73 III-5
	**pilot** (person + airplane)	II-18, 101 III-36
	**pimple, blemish** (face + dot + pointer)	II-108 III-11
	**pin** (pictograph: symbol suggests a pin. It is half the height of the nail symbol.)	II-74, 118 III-47
	**pineapple** (pictograph with stem and leaves)	II-61 III-21
	**ping-pong, table tennis** (tennis + table: game like tennis, played on a table)	II-121 III-41
	**pink** (combination of red *and* white) (BCI) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-81 III-14
	**pink** (combination of red *and* white) (CKB) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-81 III-15
	pinto bean *see* **dried bean**	

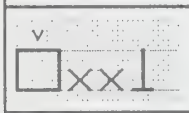
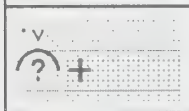
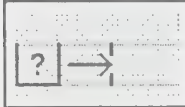
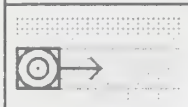
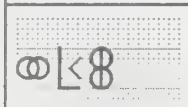
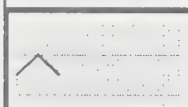
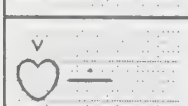
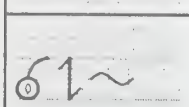
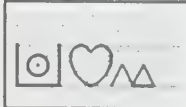
	**pipe** (combination of to smoke *and* pictograph of a smoking pipe + pointer, to the pipe bowl)	II-32 III-17
	**pipe, hose, tube** (pictograph)	II-74 III-17
	pistol *see* **handgun**	
	**pit, stone** (pictograph: symbol suggests a pit or stone)	II-61, 62*c* III-24
	**pit (to)** (to remove + pit + action indicator)	II-67 III-44
	**pita** (pictograph: Middle Eastern bread, the line in the middle suggests that the bread is hollow inside)	II-60 III-24
	**pitcher, jug, kettle, pot** (pictograph with handle and spout)	II-68 III-53
	**pizza** (food + pictograph of pizza divided into pieces)	II-60 III-15
	**place, area, location, space** (earth + pointer: place on the earth)	II-91 III-45
	place (to) *see* **put (to)**	
	**plan, design, method, system** (mind + man-made: rational way for making something)	II-38 III-19
	**plan (to), design (to)** (plan + action indicator)	II-34, 39 III-19
	plane *see* **airplane**	
	**plant** (pictograph: symbol suggests a flower with a leaf)	II-5, 116 III-13
	plant *see* **factory**	
	**plastic** (chemical product + many + shape: chemical product that can be formed into many shapes)	II-75, 76, 103, 118 III-53
	plate *see* **dish**	
	platform *see* **table**	
	**platform (train)** (platform + earth [extended] + vehicle)	II-101 III-29
	platter *see* **dish**	
	**play, recreation** (activity + happy)	II-46*c*, 118 III-40

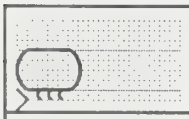
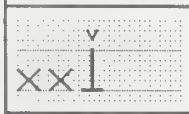
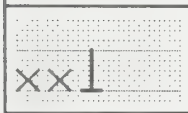
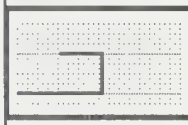
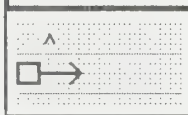
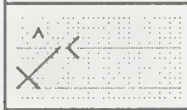
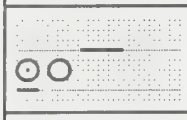
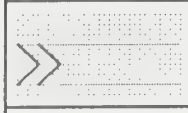
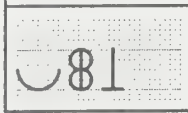
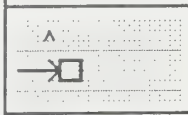
	**play (to)** (play + action indicator)	**II**-32, 46*c*, 118 **III**-40
	**play football (to)** (football + action indicator)	**II**-121 **III**-41
	**playground** (place + to play)	**II**-46*c*, 118 **III**-45
	playing cards *see* **cards**	
	**play room, family room, recreation room** (room + to play)	**II**-46*c*, 118 **III**-27
	plaza *see* **shopping centre**	
	**please** (command + feeling: polite command)	**II**-95 **III**-54
	please (to) *see* **amuse (to)**	
	pleasure *see* **happiness**	
	pleat (to) *see* **fold (to)**	
	pledge (to) *see* **promise (to)**	
	**pliers** (pictograph: symbol suggests a pair of pliers in an open position)	**II**-74, 118 **III**-20
	**plough** (knife + earth: heavy blade that cuts the soil in preparation for planting)	**II**-74, 103 **III**-39
	**plug** (into + electricity + thing indicator: fitting inserted into an electrical socket)	**II**-73, 74, 77 **III**-7
	**plum, drupe** (fruit + pit)	**II**-61 **III**-17
	plural indicator *see* **indicator (plural)**	
	plus *see* **and**	
	poach (to) *see* **simmer (to)**	
	**pocket** (container + clothing: container sewn into an article of clothing)	**II**-55 **III**-20
	pocketbook *see* **purse**	
	**poem** (page + poetry)	**II**-97, 98, 111, 116 **III**-27
	**poetry** (metaphor + wings + feeling: "winged speech", which appeals to the emotions)	**II**-97, 98, 111, 116 **III**-12
	**point** (knife + pointer, to tip)	**II**-117 **III**-39

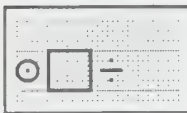
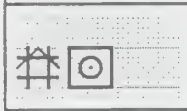
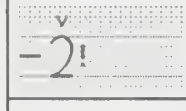
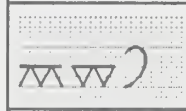
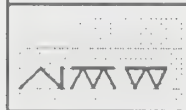
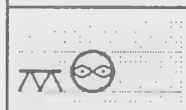
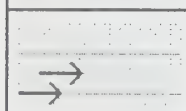
	**point (to), indicate (to)** (hand, on its side + action indicator)	II-32, 95 III-42
	**pointer** (arrowhead, which points to a detail in a symbol, or to a particular location)	II-91, 131 III-35
	**point of view** (mind + position: rational position in regard to something)	II-38, 94 III-18
	**poison** (chemical product + death: chemical product that kills)	II-76 III-53
	**polenta** (food + cornmeal: dish made with cornmeal)	II-60 III-16
	**police officer** (person + protection)	II-18, 106, 114 III-36
	policeman *see* **police officer**	
	policewoman *see* **police officer**	
	polish (to) *see* **wipe (to)**	
	**pollution** (waste + environment: waste products that spoil the environment)	II-1, 76 III-26
	pond *see* **lake**	
	**pool** (combination of enclosure *and* water)	II-120 III-2
	**poor** (without + money + description indicator)	II-105 III-47
	pop *see* **soda pop**	
	**popcorn** (corn + to jump: corn that jumps as it cooks)	II-60 III-22
	porch *see* **balcony**	
	**porcupine** (rodent + pictograph of spines)	II-8, 10*c*, 22*n* III-53
	**pork, ham** (food + pig: food that comes from a pig. The symbol also can be explained as: combination of meat *and* pig.)	II-58 III-16
	porpoise *see* **dolphin**	
	portion *see* **part**	
	**position** (relation + dot: relation to a certain point in space)	II-91, 93*n* III-34
	**positive** (plus + intensity)	II-43*n*, 126 III-37

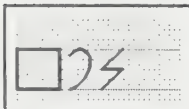
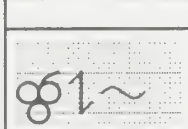
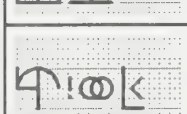
	possess (to) *see* **own (to)**	
	possessive (the) *see* **belongs to**	
	**possible, possibly** (maybe + description before the fact indicator)	II-42 III-16
	possibly *see* **possible**	
	possum *see* **opossum**	
	post *see* **letter**	
	post (to) *see* **mail (to)**	
	postbox (UK) *see* **mailbox**	
	**postcard** (pictograph: symbol suggests a postcard with a stamp in the upper right corner)	II-97 III-25
	postman *see* **letter carrier**	
	**post office** (building + letter: building where mail is processed)	II-69, 114 III-5
	**pot, kettle, pan** (pictograph: symbol suggests a pan with a handle)	II-67 III-29
	pot *see* **pitcher**	
	**potato** (vegetable below ground + white: starchy, white tuber)	II-63, 64*c* III-45
	**potato chips, crisps (UK), potato crisps (UK)** (potato + disc + plural indicator: potatoes cut in disc shapes)	II-60 III-46
	potato crisps (UK) *see* **potato chips**	
	potential *see* **ability**	
	pouch *see* **container**	
	poultry *see* **chicken**	
	**pound sterling** (international symbol for British pound sterling)	II-105 III-55
	**powder, dust** (three powder-like dots: located at points of the stone symbol) See **stone**.	II-1, 76 III-31
	**power** (The Action + electromagnetic radiation: energy in action)	II-77, 104 III-52
	powerful *see* **strong**	
	**practise (to)** (to work + repetition + action indicator: to work at something repeatedly)	II-32, 122 III-40
	pram *see* **baby carriage**	
	**pray (to)** (prayer + action indicator)	II-94, 112 III-13
	**prayer** (to speak + to + God: talking to God)	II-94, 112 III-13

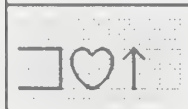
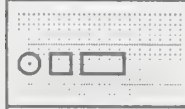
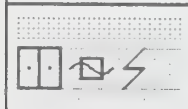
	prayer (small) *see* **bracha**	
	**prayer book, Siddur (Hebrew)** (book + prayer)	II-112 III-25
	preacher *see* **minister**	
	**preceding** (opposite meaning + next + description indicator)	II-83, 88 III-43
	**pregnancy** (conception + woman)	II-27 III-2
	**pregnant** (pregnancy + description indicator) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-27 III-2
	**pregnant** (before + birth + description indicator: woman's condition before she bears a child) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-29 III-31
	**premature birth** (birth + early)	II-27 III-23
	**prepare (to)** (to do + for (the purpose of) + future + action indicator: to do something in order to be ready for the future)	II-32 III-41
	**prepare food (to), cook (to)** (to make + food + action indicator)	II-34, 67, 117 III-29
	prepared *see* **ready**	
	**present** (past + future: time between past and future)	II-87 III-22
	present *see* **gift**	
	preserve (to) *see* **keep (to)**	
	preserves *see* **jam**	
	**pretend (to), make believe (to)** (to be + sky + action indicator: to let one's mind soar into the sky, or up into the clouds)	II-41, 98 III-12
	pretty *see* **beautiful**	
	price *see* **cost**	
	prick (to) *see* **puncture (to)**	
	priest *see* **minister**	
	primary *see* **first**	
	primate *see* **monkey**	
	**prince** (boy + royal)	II-98 III-12
	**princess** (girl + royal)	II-98 III-12
	prior to *see* **before**	

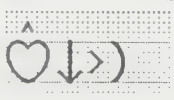
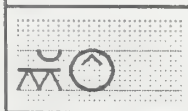
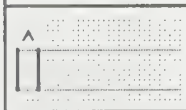
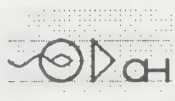
	**prison, jail** (building + barred window: building where people are put behind bars)	II-69, 106, 114 III-5
	**private** (to close + public + description indicator)	II-28, 52 III-24
	**probable, likely, probably** (to doubt + plus + description before the fact indicator: in doubt, but tending towards the positive)	II-42 III-19
	probably *see* **probable**	
	**problem** (question + difficult: difficult question to solve)	II-41, 83, 95 III-28
	produce (to) *see* **make (to)**	
	producer *see* **maker**	
	**projector** (camera + forward: device that projects the picture produced by a camera forward onto a screen)	II-110, 116 III-24
	**promise (to), pledge (to)** (to say + to do + future + action indicator: to say that something will be done in the future)	II-94 III-13
	proposal *see* **suggestion**	
	propose (to) *see* **suggest (to)**	
	**prostitution** (to combine + genitals + money)	II-28 III-16
	**protect (to), cover (to), shelter (to), take care of (to)** (protection + action indicator)	II-31 III-32
	**protection** (symbol looks like a roof, suggesting the protection provided by a roof)	II-48*c*, 57*n*, 70, 70*n* III-32
	**protest (to), object (to)** (to say + against + action indicator)	II-94 III-13
	**proud** (feeling + above + description indicator)	II-49*c*, 51 III-3
	provide (to) *see* **give (to)**	
	**province, county, region, state** (part of + country)	II-106, 106*n* III-31
	**prune** (plum + dry)	II-61 III-17
	pub *see* **bar**	
	**puberty** (awake + sexuality)	II-28 III-28

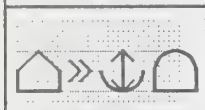
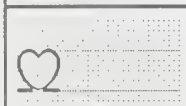
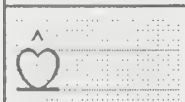
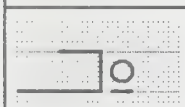
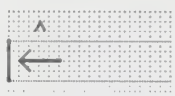
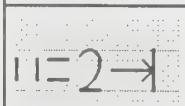
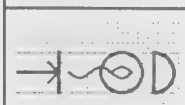
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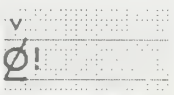
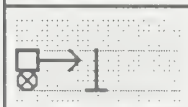
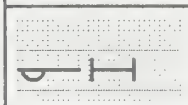
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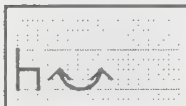
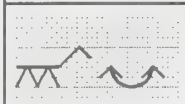
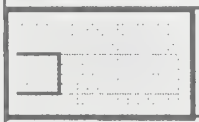
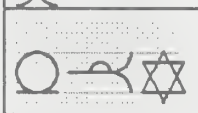
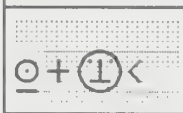
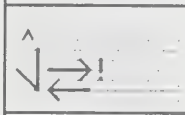
	**radio** (enclosure + ear + electricity: box for hearing by means of electricity)	II-73, 99, 110, 117 III-24
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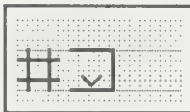
	**ready, prepared** (to prepare + description after the fact indicator)	II-32 III-41
	**real, really** (to be + earth [half-sized] + description indicator: existing on earth)	II-29 III-16
	really *see* **real**	
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	receive (to) *see* **get (to)**	
	**recent, recently** (past + near + description indicator: in the near past)	II-87 III-22
	recently *see* **recent**	
	**recipe** (page + to prepare food: written instructions for cooking)	II-68, 96, 117 III-27
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	recommendation *see* **advice**	
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	**record player, stereo** (machine + record)	II-73, 75, 99, 117 III-10
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	**recreation centre, moadan (Israel)** (room + happiness: room for social gatherings) (Israel)	II-71 III-27
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	**rectangle, oblong** (shape + rectangular shape: rectangle, a geometric shape)	II-86 III-14
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	region *see* **province**	
	**regret (to)** (sorry + action indicator: to feel sorry about something that occurred in the past)	II-46*c*, 50 III-3
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	**reindeer, caribou** (cervine + north: animal common to Northern regions)	II-7 III-45
	**relation (con)** (symbol is derived from the mathematical symbol for "smaller than". This symbol in half-size is the basis for **against, by**, and **there.**)	II-91, 125 III-35
	**relation (pro)** (symbol is derived from the mathematical symbol for "greater than". This symbol in half-size is the basis for **about, at, for, here** and **on.**)	II-91, 125 III-34
	relation *see* **relative**	
	**relative, relation** (protection + person + protection: two adjoining roofs are used to mean person who is related)	II-17 III-34
	**relativizer, how, that, what, when, where, which, who, whom** (double commas or ditto marks: in a sentence, this symbol is equivalent to a relative pronoun or a conjunction used to introduce a relative clause. See Notes p. II-129) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-127 III-54
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	repair (to) *see* **fix (to)**	
	**repeat (to), copy (to), duplicate (to), reproduce (to)** (two vertical lines + action indicator: the line is repeated)	II-34, 96 III-48
	reply *see* **answer**	
	reply (to) *see* **answer (to)**	
	report *see* **story**	
	reproduce (to) *see* **repeat (to)**	
	**reproduction** (conception + to cause + baby)	II-27 III-2
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	**resident** (person + house: person who lives in a house)	II-19 III-35
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	**residential institution, group home, hostel (UK), residential home (UK)** (house + many + person: house in which a group of people live)	II-69 III-6
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	**rest period, break** (limited time + rest)	II-47*c*, 90 III-49
	**restaurant, cafeteria** (public room + to eat)	II-71, 105, 124 III-28
	restful *see* **comfortable**	
	result *see* **effect**	
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	**return** (reference line + backward: the arrow, moving backward, returns toward the reference line)	II-36, 92, 102*n* III-48
	**return (to), come back (to), reverse (to)** (return + action indicator)	II-36, 92 III-48
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	**rhinoceros** (animal + pictograph of head and horn: animal with a distinctive horn protruding from its nose)	II-7, 10*c* III-45
	**rhyme** (similar sound + end: the effect produced when words have a similar sound. The symbol applies particularly to ends of lines of poetry.)	II-97, 131 III-51
	**rhythm method** (birth control + month: birth control based upon a woman's monthly cycle)	II-27 III-8

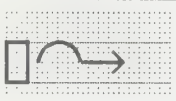
	**ribbon, tape** (linear thing + cloth + thing indicator)	II-55 III-48
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	robe *see* **dressing gown**	
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	**rocket, spaceship** (pictograph of a rocket + upward)	II-1, 100, 107 III-39

	**rocking chair** (chair + to rock: chair that rocks back and forth)	II-72 III-49
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	**roll, bun** (bread [half-sized])	II-60 III-24
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	**roller skates** (feet and legs + two wheels: wheeled skates)	II-119, 121 III-40
	**roof, cover** (protection + thing indicator: thing that provides protective cover. The symbol is the concrete form of **protection.**)	II-70, 70*n* III-32
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	rubbish *see* **waste**	
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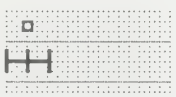
rug, carpet, mat
(cloth + floor covering)
II-72
III-5

rugby *see* **football**

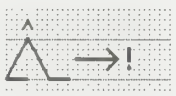


rule, regulation
(page + to guide: written guidance)
II-96, 122
III-27

rule (to) *see* **govern (to)**



ruler, measuring stick, tape measure
(measurement + thing indicator)
II-74, 82, 85, 118
III-51



run (to)
(to walk + fast + action indicator)
II-35, 122
III-40

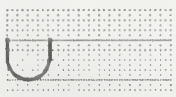
runner bean *see* **string bean**

rutabaga *see* **turnip**

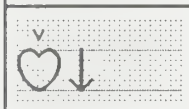


Sabbath, day of rest
(day + rest: day for resting)
II-47*c*, 112, 113, 115
III-11

Sabbath eve *see* **evening of Sabbath**

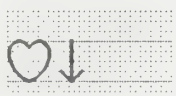


sack, bag
(pictograph: the sides of the symbol for **container** are extended)
II-55
III-50

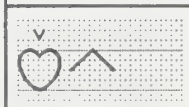


sad, sadly, unhappily, unhappy
(sadness+ description indicator: having a downhearted feeling)
II-46*c*, 51, 53*n*
III-3

sadly *see* **sad**



sadness, sorrow, unhappiness
(feeling + down)
II-45, 46*c*
III-3

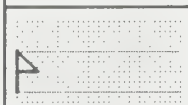


safe, safely, secure, securely
(safety + description indicator)
II-48*c*, 51
III-3

safely *see* **safe**



safety, security
(feeling + protection: feeling of being protected)
II-48*c*, 45
III-3



sail
(pictograph: symbol suggests a sail on a mast)
II-100, 123
III-51



sailboat, sailing boat (UK), yacht (Aus)
(pictograph: symbol suggests the outline of a sailboat.The symbol also can be explained as: combination of boat *and* sail.)
II-100, 120, 123
III-44

sailing boat (UK) *see* **sailboat**

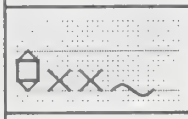
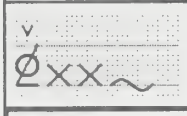
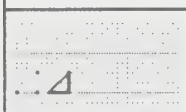
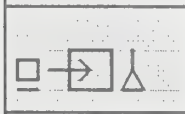
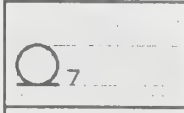
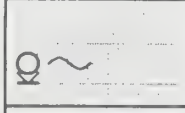
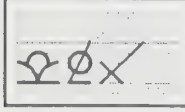


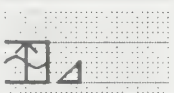
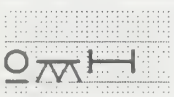
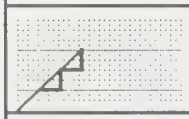
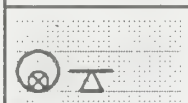
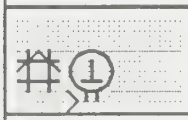
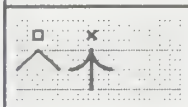
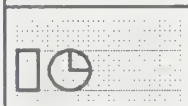
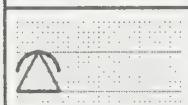
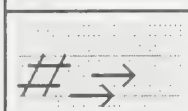
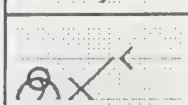
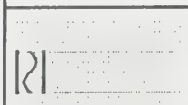
sailor
(person + boat)
II-19
III-36

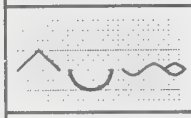
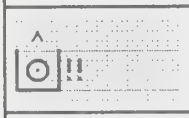
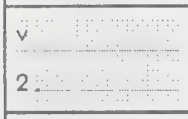
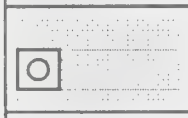
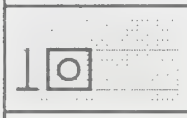
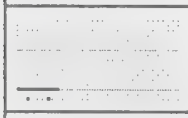
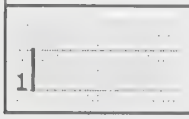


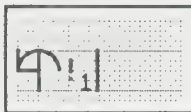
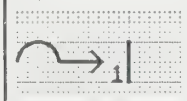
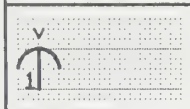
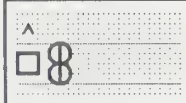
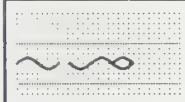
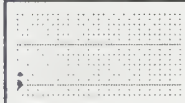
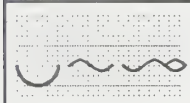
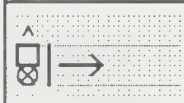
salad
(combination of lettuce *and* dish: used in a general sense for all salads)
II-60
III-54

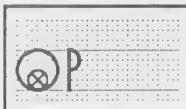
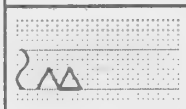
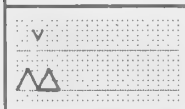
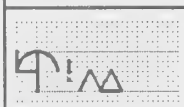
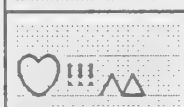
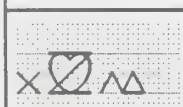
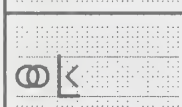
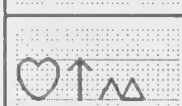
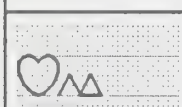
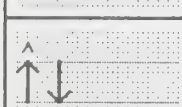
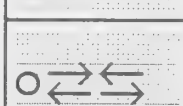
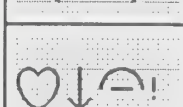
salary *see* **wages**

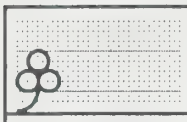
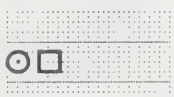
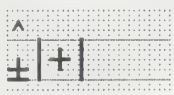
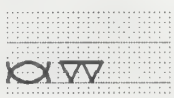
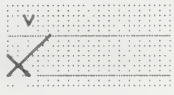
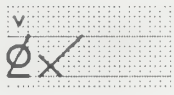
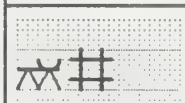
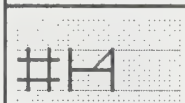
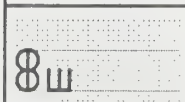
	**saliva, spit** (liquid + mouth: liquid contained in the mouth)	II-21 III-1
	**salt** (crystal + sea)	II-59, 76 III-35
	**salty** (taste + sea + description indicator)	II-65, 79 III-15
	**same, equal** (international mathematical symbol)	II-82, 83 III-46
	**same sound** (same + sound: used before a second symbol to create a meaning that is a homonym of the second symbol)	II-82, 131 III-47
	sample *see* **unit**	
	**sand** (powder + rock: powder made from a rock)	II-1, 119 III-31
	**sandal(s)** (shoe(s) + comma + open)	II-54 III-33
	**sandbox, sandpit (Aus), sandtray (UK)** (enclosure [modified] + sand)	II-119 III-29
	sandpit (Aus) *see* **sandbox**	
	sandtray (UK) *see* **sandbox**	
	**sandwich** (food + between + bread)	II-60 III-16
	**sanitary napkin, sanitary towel (UK), tampon** (absorbent material + woman)	II-24 III-26
	sanitary towel (UK) *see* **sanitary napkin**	
	**sari** (clothing + around + woman) (India)	II-54 III-33
	sash *see* **belt**	
	**satisfaction, contentment** (mind + full: CKB quotes the Chinese phrase to describe a contented man: "his rice bowl is full")	II-38 III-18
	**Saturday** (day + 7: seventh day of the week)	II-89 III-11
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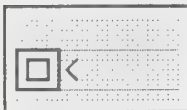
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	sea gull *see* **gull**	
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	securely *see* **safe**	
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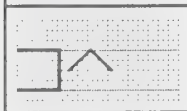
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	sense *see* **meaning**	
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	sexual excitement *see* **sexual arousal**	
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shell, crust
(enclosure + thing + pointer, to enclosure: a crust or shell surrounds the thing)
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shelter, refuge
(room + protection)
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shelter (to) *see* **protect (to)**

sherbet *see* **ice cream**



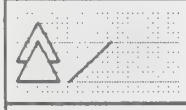
shine (to)
(sun + action indicator)
II-1, 4
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shine (to) *see* **twinkle (to)**

ship *see* **boat**



shirt, blouse
(clothing + chest: clothing that covers the upper part of the body)
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III-33



Shiva
(god + destruction: Hindu god) (India)
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shoe(s)
(protection + foot: protective covering for the feet)
II-54
III-33



shofar (Hebrew)
(horn + Jewish)
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shop *see* **store**



shopping centre, mall, plaza
(many + public room: group of stores)
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III-38

shore *see* **beach**



short
(horizontal line [half-sized] bounded by reference lines [half-sized] + description indicator: horizontal line is relatively short) See also: **long.**
II-82, 85
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short *see* **low**



shorts
(trousers + comma + short)
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shot *see* **injection**

shotgun *see* **rifle**

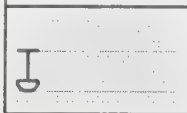


shoulder
(body + pointer, to shoulder)
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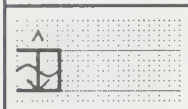
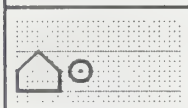
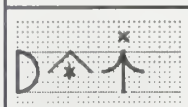
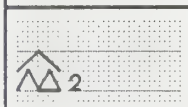
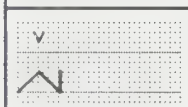
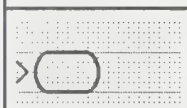
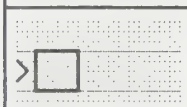
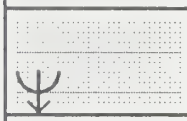
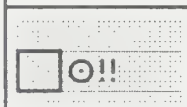
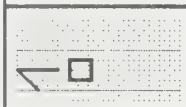
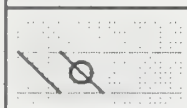


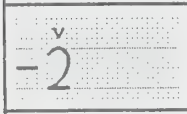
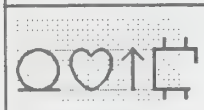
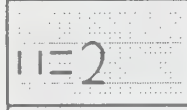
shout (to)
(to say + two intensity symbols + action indicator: to say forcefully)
II-80*n*, 94
III-13

shove (to) *see* **push (to)**



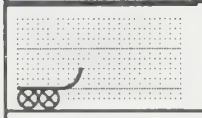
shovel, spade
(pictograph)
II-74, 103, 120
III-46

	**show (to), demonstrate (to)** (to cause + to observe + action indicator: to cause to be seen)	II-33, 39 III-30
	**shower** (room + water + down: room where water pours down for bathing)	II-24, 71 III-28
	**shower (to)** (shower + action indicator)	II-24 III-28
	**showplace, theatre** (building + to see: building in which to see shows)	II-69, 99, 124 III-5
	shrub *see* **bush**	
	shut (to) *see* **close (to)**	
	**Shvat (Hebrew)** (month + birth + tree + plural indicator: month of Tu B'Shvat)	II-89 III-49
	**sibling** (protection + male + female + 2: male or female family member considered in relation to another child of the same parents)	II-17 III-34
	**sick, ill** (illness + description indicator)	II-13*n*, 23, 108 III-34
	sickness *see* **illness**	
	Siddur (Hebrew) *see* **prayer book**	
	**side** (body + pointer, to side)	II-21 III-23
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	**sieve, colander, strainer** (container + downward: container through which something can pass)	II-67, 120 III-20
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	**sign** (enclosure + attention: large square that attracts one's attention) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-97 III-24
	**sign** (to point + thing: the hand points to the thing) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-97 III-42
	**signature** (to write + name: writing of one's name)	II-96 III-53
	**signature stamp** (tool + signature)	II-96 III-42
	significance *see* **meaning**	
	significant *see* **important**	
	signify (to) *see* **mean (to)**	

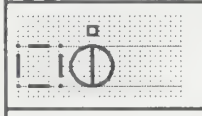
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	**silent** (silence + description indicator)	II-78 III-47
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	**similar sound, sounds like** (similar + sound)	II-82, 131 III-51
	**simmer (to), poach (to)** (to cook + water + action indicator)	II-67 III-1
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	**sister** (daughter + 2: daughter considered in relation to another child of her parents)	II-17 III-34
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	sitting room *see* **living room**	
	**Sivan (Hebrew)** (month + commandments: month of the holiday of Shavout)	II-89 III-49



six
(Arabic numeral)
II-83
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skateboard
(pictograph)
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III-46

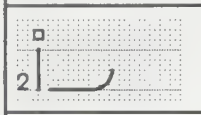


skeleton
(structure + creature + thing indicator: supporting structure of a living creature)
II-20
III-30

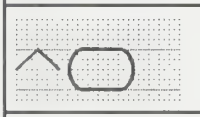
sketch (to) *see* **draw (to)**



ski boot(s)
(boot(s) + ski)
II-55, 119, 121
III-33

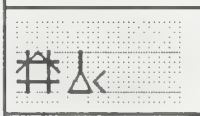


ski poles
(2 + linear thing + ski + thing indicator)
II-119, 121
III-55

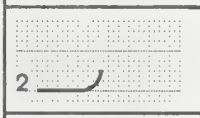


skin
(protection + body: protective covering for the body)
II-21
III-33

skipping rope *see* **jump rope**



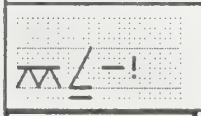
skirt
(dress + pointer, to skirt)
II-54
III-33



skis
(2 + pictograph of a ski)
II-119, 121
III-55



skull cap, kipa, yarmulke
(hat + Jewish: head covering for religious purposes)
II-113
III-33



skunk
(animal + to smell bad: animal that gives off a disagreeable smell)
II-8
III-45



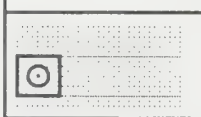
sky
(horizontal line, on the skyline of the symbol drawing area)
II-1, 100
III-43

slacks *see* **pants**



sled, sledge (UK), sleigh, toboggan
(pictograph: symbol suggests a sled and incorporates **thing**: snow vehicle to carry things)
II-119, 121
III-26

sledge (UK) *see* **sled**



sleep
(eye + to close: one's eyes are closed in sleep)
II-21
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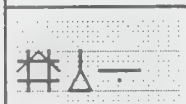
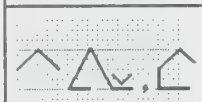
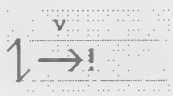
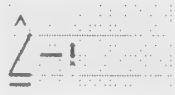


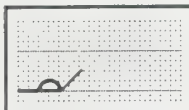
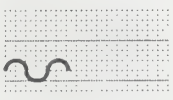
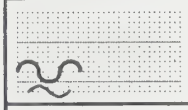
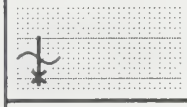
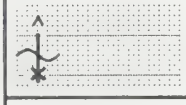
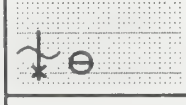
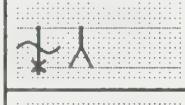
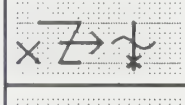
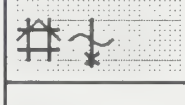
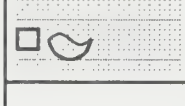
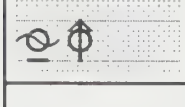
sleep (to)
(sleep + action indicator)
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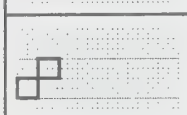
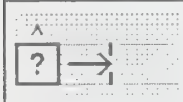
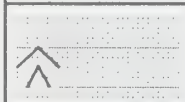
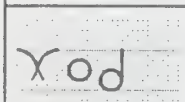
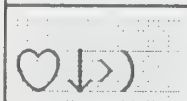


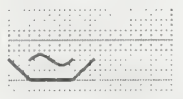
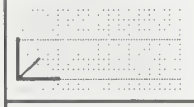
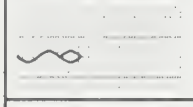
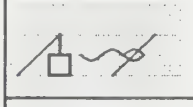
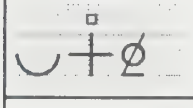
sleeping bag
(sack + to sleep)
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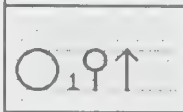
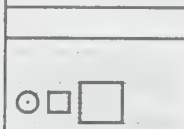
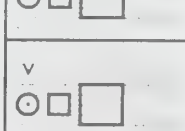
sleigh *see* **sled**

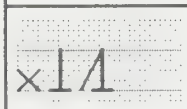
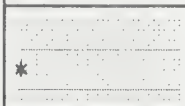
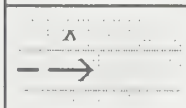
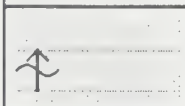
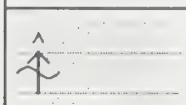
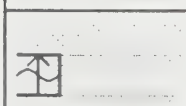
	**slide** (diagonal arrow, pointing downward and forward + thing indicator: thing for sliding)	II-119 III-8
	slim *see* **thin**	
	**slip, petticoat** (dress + under)	II-54 III-33
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	slowly *see* **slow**	
	small *see* **little**	
	small prayer *see* **bracha**	
	**smart, bright, clever, intelligent** (mind + intensity + description indicator: having striking mental abilities)	II-42 III-18
	**smash (to), grind (to), shatter (to), splinter (to)** (to break + many + piece + action indicator)	II-34 III-47
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	**smell (to)** (smell + action indicator: to give off a smell or odour)	II-79 III-43
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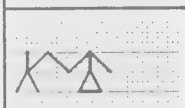
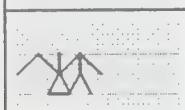
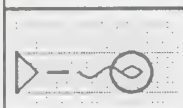
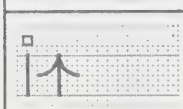
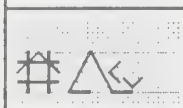
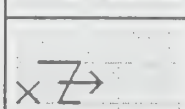
	**snail** (pictograph: symbol suggests a snail)	II-12 III-46
	**snake** (pictograph)	II-8 III-20
	**snake (water)** (snake + water: snake that spends much time in the water)	II-8 III-20
	snap *see* **button**	
	**sneeze (to)** (nose + to blow + intensity + action indicator: to blow air forcefully from one's nose)	II-22, 109 III-43
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	**snowball** (snow + ball: snow shaped into a ball)	II-119 III-2
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	**soda pop, pop, soft drink** (drink + gas: carbonated drink)	II-65 III-1
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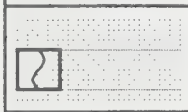
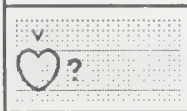
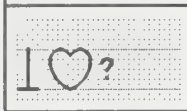
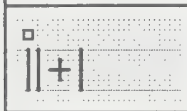
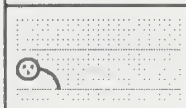
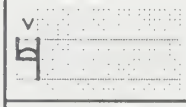
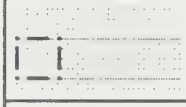
	**soft** (hand + pictograph of impression made by a thumb pressed into something soft + description indicator)	II-80 III-42
	soft drink *see* **soda pop**	
	soiled *see* **dirty**	
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	someone *see* **anyone**	
	someplace *see* **anywhere**	
	something *see* **anything**	
	sometime *see* **anytime**	
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	**soon** (future + near + description indicator: in the near future)	II-87 III-23
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	sore *see* **painful**	
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	sort *see* **type**	

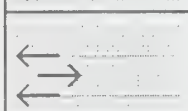
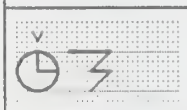
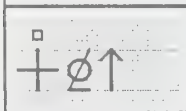
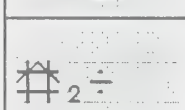
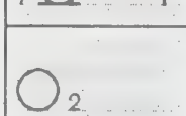
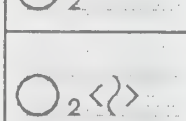
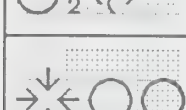
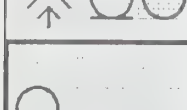
	**soufganiya (Hebrew), Chanukah cookie** (disc + Chanukah: traditional sweet eaten at Chanukah)	II-59, 113 III-17
	**sound** (ear + earth [half-sized]: what the ear receives from the earth)	II-78 III-6
	**sound (to)** (sound + action indicator)	II-78 III-6
	sounds like *see* **similar sound**	
	**soup, broth** (dish + liquid)	II-60 III-54
	sour *see* **sharp**	
	**south** (sun + pointer, to south)	II-3, 93 III-10
	**southern** (south + description indicator)	II-3, 93 III-10
	**space** (three coordinates drawn in perspective, illustrating the three dimensions of space)	II-86 III-31
	space *see* **place**	
	spaceship *see* **rocket**	
	spade *see* **shovel**	
	**spaghetti** (food + flour + linear thing + thing indicator: long, thin pasta)	II-60 III-16
	sparkle (to) *see* **twinkle (to)**	
	spasm *see* **cramp**	
	speak (to) *see* **say (to)**	
	**special** (feeling + important + description indicator)	II-49*c*, 51 III-3
	**specific** (the + description indicator)	II-125 III-53
	**speech impaired** (limits + to speak + description indicator: speaking unintelligibly) See also: **nonspeaking**	II-108 III-48
	**sperm** (pictograph)	II-26 III-2
	**spermicide** (chemical product + to destroy + sperm)	II-27 III-53
	**spice box (Hebrew)** (container + seasoning)	II-113 III-20
	spicey *see* **hot**	

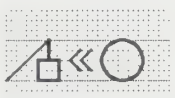
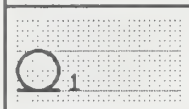
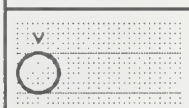
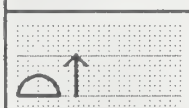
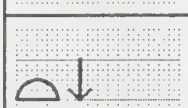
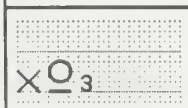
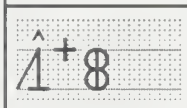
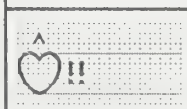
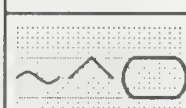
	**spider** (pictograph: symbol suggests a spider)	II-12 III-13
	**spiral, curl** (shape + spiral shape)	II-86 III-14
	spit *see* **saliva**	
	**spit (to)** (mouth + downward curving arrow + action indicator: to expel from one's mouth)	II-21 III-16
	**splash (to)** (to hit + water + action indicator)	II-36, 80, 120 III-42
	splint *see* **brace**	
	splinter (to) *see* **smash (to)**	
	sponge *see* **absorbent material**	
	**spoon** (pictograph: symbol suggests a spoon. The diagonal orientation of spoon is the same as that of fork and knife.)	II-67, 68 III-53
	**sport** (activity + healthy)	II-121, 122*n* III-41
	**sport stick** (pictograph: symbol suggests a hockey stick)	II-121 III-52
	**spot, mark** (eye + dot: dot perceived by the eye)	II-24, 78, 97*n* III-14
	**spouse, cohabitant** (person + protection: person who shares one's roof)	II-17 III-36
	**spread** (combination of food *and* on: food that is put on something else)	II-59 III-15
	**spread (to)** (spread + action indicator)	II-59 III-15
	**spring** (sun +1: first season) (CKB) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-90 III-10
	**spring** (sun + 1 + flower + up: first season when flowers begin to grow) (BCI) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-90 III-10
	spring onion (UK) *see* **green onion**	
	**square** (shape + square shape: square, a geometric shape)	II-86 III-14
	**square** (square + description indicator)	II-86 III-14

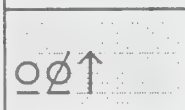
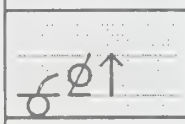
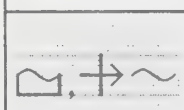
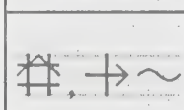
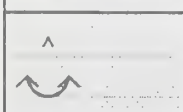
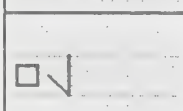
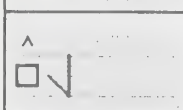
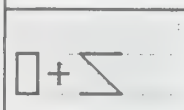
	**squash, pumpkin** (combination of vegetable above ground *and* pictograph of thick rind)	II-63 III-22
	squeeze (to) *see* **crush (to)**	
	squirm (to) *see* **wiggle (to)**	
	**squirrel** (rodent + pictograph of tail: rodent with a bushy tail)	II-8, 10*c* III-1
	stable *see* **barn**	
	**staff, service** (group + to serve: group of people working to serve others)	II-18 III-38
	stage *see* **table**	
	**stairs, steps** (pictograph: symbol suggests a side view of a flight of stairs)	II-70 III-32
	stalk *see* **stem**	
	**stamp** (pictograph: symbol suggests a stamp in the upper corner of an envelope)	II-97, 116 III-31
	**stand (to)** (standing person + action indicator)	II-37 III-32
	**stander** (support + medical + to stand + thing indicator: medical device for standing)	II-109 III-52
	**star** (pictograph: symbol suggests a star giving off rays of light)	II-1 III-39
	**starfish** (fish + star)	II-12 III-19
	**Star of David** (symbol for Judaism)	II-113 III-39
	start *see* **beginning**	
	start (to) *see* **begin (to)**	
	state *see* **country**; *see also* **province**	
	**stay (to), remain (to)** (without + to advance + action indicator)	II-37 III-47
	**steam** (water + up: when water is converted into steam by boiling, it rises)	II-2 III-1
	**steam (to)** (steam + action indicator)	II-67 III-1
	**steam bath** (room + steam)	II-24, 71 III-28

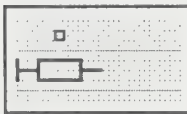
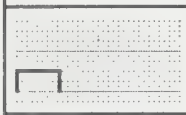
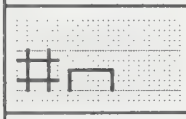
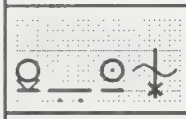
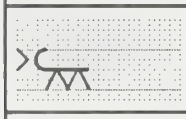
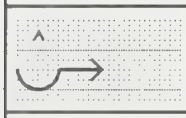
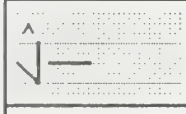
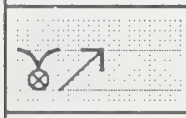
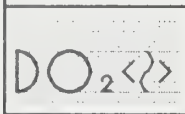
	**steel** (material + knife: the material of which knives are made)	II-75, 104 III-26
	steering wheel *see Note p. II-22*	
	**stem, stalk** (flower + pointer, to stem)	II-5 III-13
	**stepfather** (husband + mother: husband of one's mother)	II-17 III-50
	**stepmother** (wife + father: wife of one's father)	II-17 III-34
	steps *see* **stairs**	
	stereo *see* **record player**	
	sterile *see* **infertile**	
	**sterilization** (to cause + infertile)	II-27 III-30
	**stick, log** (linear thing + tree + thing indicator)	II-5, 75, 123 III-48
	stick (UK) *see* **cane**	
	stick (to) *see* **glue (to)**	
	stink (to) *see* **smell bad (to)**	
	**stocking(s), pantyhose, sock(s), tights** (clothing + pointers, to leg and foot: clothing worn on legs and feet)	II-54 III-33
	**stomach** (body + pointer to stomach)	II-21, 22*n* III-23
	**stone** (material + stone)	II-75, 104, 118 III-26
	stone *see* **pit**	
	**stone, rock** (mountain [half-sized])	II-1 III-30
	stop *see* **end**	
	**stop (to), arrive (to), end (to)** (end + action indicator)	II-37 III-7
	**store, shop** (public room + business: public room where money is exchanged for goods)	II-71, 105, 114, 124 III-28
	**storeroom** (room + to hold)	II-71 III-27
	**storm** (much + wind)	II-4 III-38

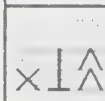
	**story, report, tale** (page + mouth: spoken narrative. The symbol is used for story in a general sense, whether spoken, written, or printed.)	II-96, 98, 116 III-27
	**stove, furnace, heater, oven** (fire + enclosure: enclosed source of heat)	II-68, 73 III-24
	straight *see* **linear**	
	strain (to) *see* **drain (to)**	
	strainer *see* **sieve**	
	**strange** (feeling + question mark + description indicator: characteristic of someone or something about which one feels doubtful)	II-49*c*, 51 III-4
	**stranger** (person + strange: person who is strange, unknown)	II-18, 49*c* III-35
	**strap, string, velcro** (linear thing + to fasten + thing indicator: linear thing that fastens or joins)	II-55 III-48
	**straw, drinking straw** (linear thing + drink + thing indicator)	II-65, 68 III-48
	**strawberry** (berry, with seeds showing on the outside)	II-61, 62*c* III-17
	**street** (ground + pointer + house: ground, next to a building, used as a public thoroughfare)	II-69, 101 III-46
	string *see* **strap**	
	**string bean, green bean, runner bean,wax bean** (bean + long)	II-63, 64*c* III-23
	stripe *see* **line**	
	**stroke (to)** (hand + back and forth + action indicator)	II-28, 36, 80 III-42
	stroller *see* **baby carriage**	
	**strong, powerful** (combination of health *and* muscle + description indicator: symbol suggests the outline of a person, arm bent, biceps flexed, showing strength)	II-23, 108 III-32
	**structure** (enclosure formed of lines and dots)	II-86 III-30
	**student, pupil** (person + to learn)	II-19, 19*n*, 110, 114 III-35
	stuffed animal *see* **toy animal**	
	**stupid, dumb** (opposite meaning + smart + description indicator)	II-42 III-42
	substitute (to) *see* **exchange (to)**	

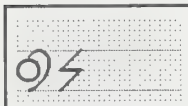
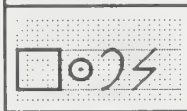
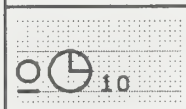
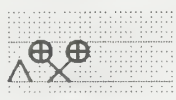
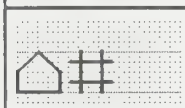
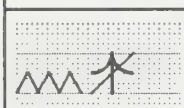
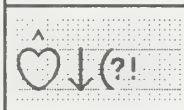
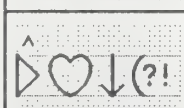
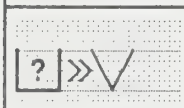
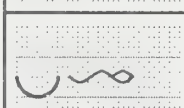
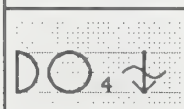
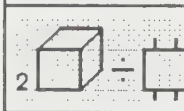
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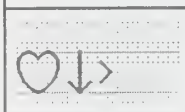
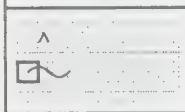
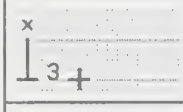
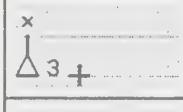
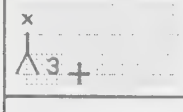
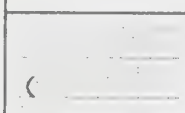
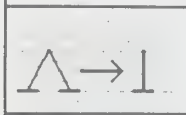
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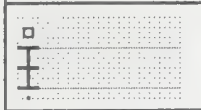
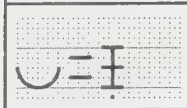
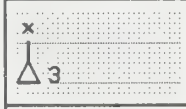
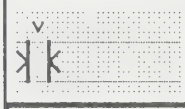
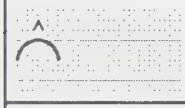
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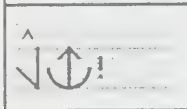
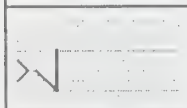
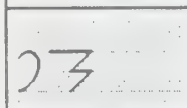
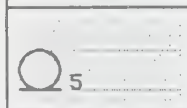
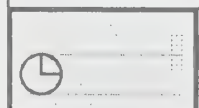
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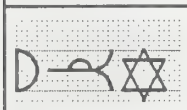
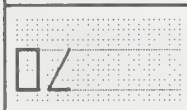
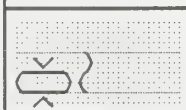
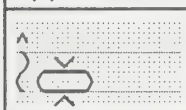
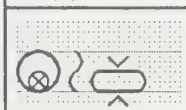
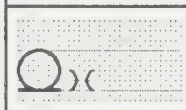
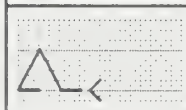
	**tank** (motor vehicle, with many wheels + cannon)	**II**-100, 107 **III**-52
	tape *see* **ribbon**	
	tape measure *see* **ruler**	
	**tape recorder** (machine + to reproduce + ear: machine to reproduce material for listening)	**II**-73, 75, 99, 110, 117 **III**-10
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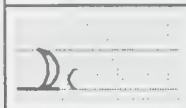
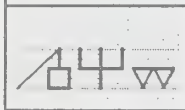
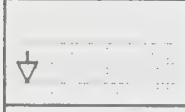
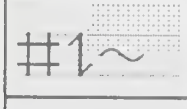
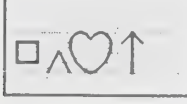
	**telephone** (mouth + ear + electricity: electrical device for speaking and listening)	II-73 III-16
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	**thank (to)** (thanks + action indicator)	II-49*c*, 50 III-3
	thank you *see* **thanks**	

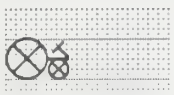
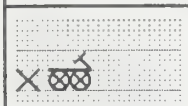
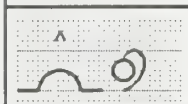
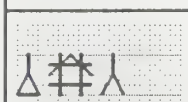
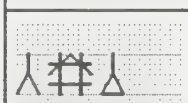
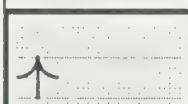
	**thanks, thank you** (feeling + to give: polite phrase used to express gratitude to another)	**II**-49*c*, 95 **III**-3
	**Thanksgiving** (day + thanks: day for giving thanks)	**II**-49*c*, 115 **III**-11
	**that** (dot + the: the diagonal line has the same orientation as the one used in **the** and **this**)	**II**-125 **III**-31
	that *see* **relativizer**	
	**that's too bad (Hebrew)** (sad + about)	**II**-46*c*, 52, 96 **III**-3
	**thaw (to), melt (to)** (thing + water + action indicator: solid ice becoming water)	**II**-4, 67 **III**-26
	**the** (diagonal line suggests an index finger pointing at something specific. The diagonal line has the same orientation as the one used in **this** and **that**.)	**II**-125 **III**-53
	theatre *see* **showplace**	
	**their, theirs** (they + belongs to + plural indicator) SYMBOL SYNONYM	**II**-15 **III**-36
	**their, theirs** (its + plural indicator: refers to things rather than to people) SYMBOL SYNONYM	**II**-15 **III**-51
	**their, theirs (f.)** (female + 3 + belongs to + plural indicator: third person (f. pl.)) SYMBOL SYNONYM	**II**-15 **III**-50
	**their, theirs (m.)** (male + 3 + belongs to + plural indicator: third person (m.pl.)) SYMBOL SYNONYM	**II**-15 **III**-50
	theirs *see* **their**	
	theirs (f.pl.) *see* **their (f.pl.)**	
	theirs (m.pl.) *see* **their (m.pl.)**	
	them *see* **they**	
	them (f.pl.) *see* **they (f.pl.)**	
	them (m.pl.) *see* **they (m.pl.)**	
	themselves *see* **they**	
	themselves (f.pl.) *see* **they (f.pl.)**	
	themselves (m.pl.) *see* **they (m.pl.)**	
	**then (future)** (future [half-sized])	**II**-87, 88*n* **III**-23
	then (past) *see* **ago**; *see also Note p. II-88*	
	**therapist** (mutual aid + forward + person: person working cooperatively with another person to produce one free-standing person)	**II**-19, 108, 114 **III**-37
	**there** (two dots + relation [half-sized]: the repeated dot stresses a relationship to a certain point in space)	**II**-91 **III**-31

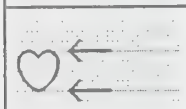
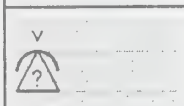
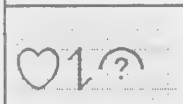
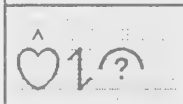
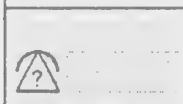
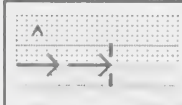
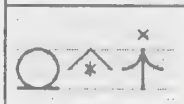
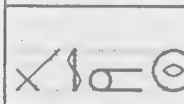
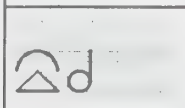
	**therefore, so, so that** (cause [half-sized])	II-125 III-30
	**thermometer** (temperature + thing indicator: The symbol is the concrete form of **temperature**)	II-4, 70*n*, 74, 82, 109 III-46
	**thermos, cooler, flask (UK)** (container + same + temperature: container that keeps food or drink at a constant temperature for several hours)	II-68, 124 III-20
	**these** (this + plural indicator)	II-125 III-53
	**they, them, themselves** (person + 3 + plural indicator: third person plural) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-15 III-36
	**they, them, themselves** (it + plural indicator: refers to things rather than to people) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-15 III-51
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	thick *see* **fat**	
	**thin, slim** (two reference lines + two pointers + description indicator: the pointers point inward toward the narrow space formed by the reference lines)	II-23, 85 III-48
	**thing, object** (symbol suggests the two dimensional outline of a crystal)	II-86, 130 III-25
	thing indicator *see* **indicator (thing)**	
	thing/plural indicator *see* **indicator (thing/plural)**	
	**think (to), reason (to)** (mind + action indicator)	II-25*n*, 38, 111 III-18
	thinking *see* **mental**	
	**thirsty** (feeling + minus + drink + description indicator: having a feeling caused by the lack of drink)	II-47*c*, 52, 58 III-4
	**this** (the + dot: the diagonal line has the same orientation as the one used in **the** and **that**)	II-125 III-53
	**this week** (week + now)	II-89 III-55
	**this year** (year + now)	II-88*n*, 90 III-9

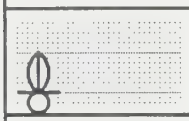
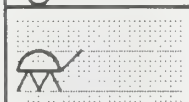
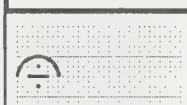
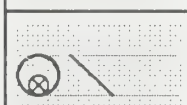
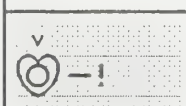
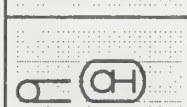
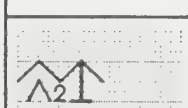
	**those** (that + plural indicator)	II-125 III-31
	thought *see* **idea**	
	thoughtful *see* **considerate**	
	**three** (Arabic numeral)	II-83 III-55
	**through** (forward + reference line: arrow is passing through the reference line)	II-35, 102*n*, 126 III-7
	**throw (to)** (hand + to give + intensity + action indicator: to discharge into the air with a swift motion of the arm)	II-36, 80, 122 III-42
	throw up (to) *see* **vomit (to)**	
	thrush *see* **songbird**	
	**thumb** (hand + pointer, to thumb)	II-20, 80 III-42
	**thunder** (ear + lightning: sound that accompanies lightning)	II-4 III-6
	**Thursday** (day + 5: fifth day of the week)	II-89 III-11
	tick *see* **mite**	
	**ticket, pass** (paper + to enter: piece of paper that allows you to enter)	II-102, 122, 124 III-27
	**tie, necktie** (linear thing + neck + thing indicator)	II-55 III-48
	**tiger** (feline + stripe)	II-7 III-45
	tights *see* **stocking(s)**	
	tika *see* **bindi**	
	till *see* **until**	
	**time** (symbol looks like a clock face, suggesting time)	II-82, 87 III-12
	time table *see* **schedule**	
	timepiece *see* **clock**	
	tip-up lorry (UK) *see* **dump truck**	
	**tiptoe (to)** (toe + action indicator: to walk on one's toes)	II-35, 119 III-40
	**tire, tyre (UK)** (wheel + pointer, to tire)	II-101 III-9

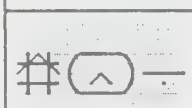
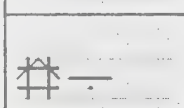
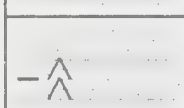
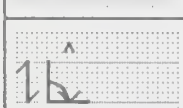
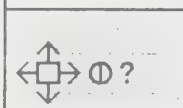
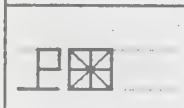
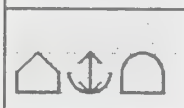
	**tired, exhausted, weary** (rest + to need + description after the fact indicator: feeling in need of rest)	II-23, 47*c* III-4
	**Tisha B'Av (Hebrew)** (day + to destroy + temple)	II-115 III-11
	**Tishrai (Hebrew)** (month + shofar: month of Rosh Hashana)	II-89 III-49
	**tissue** (paper + nose)	II-24 III-27
	title *see* **name**	
	**to, toward, towards** (arrowhead + reference line [half-sized]: the arrowhead approaches the reference line. This symbol is a simplified form of **approach**.)	II-92, 93*n*, 126 III-35
	to *see* **until**	
	to and fro *see* **back and forth**	
	toad *see* **frog**	
	**toast** (bread + two pointers, to top and bottom + fire: bread browned on both sides)	II-60 III-23
	**toast (to)** (fire + bread + two pointers, to top and bottom + action indicator)	II-67 III-1
	**toaster** (machine + to toast)	II-67, 75 III-10
	**tobacco** (leaf + to smoke: leaf used for smoking)	II-5, 103 III-23
	toboggan *see* **sled**	
	**today** (day + now)	II-88 III-11
	**toe** (legs and feet + pointer, to toe)	II-20 III-40
	**together** (vertical line + plus + vertical line + description indicator)	II-91 III-48
	**toilet** (seat + water)	II-24, 73 III-49
	**toilet paper** (paper + toilet)	II-24 III-27
	**tomato** (vegetable above ground + red)	II-63, 64*c* III-22

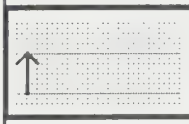
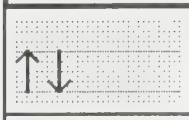
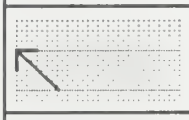
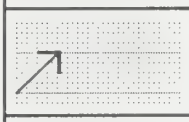
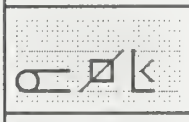
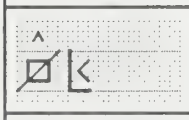
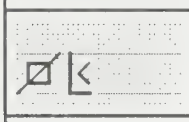
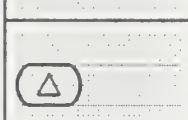
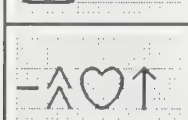
	**tomorrow** (day + then (future))	II-88 III-11
	**tomorrow night** (night + then (future))	II-88 III-46
	**tongue** (part of + mouth + up and down: the part of the mouth that moves up and down)	II-20 III-31
	**tonight** (night + now)	II-88 III-46
	too *see* **and**	
	too many *see* **too much**	
	**too much, too many** (over + much/many + description indicator: over the amount or number needed)	II-66, 84 III-30
	**tool, instrument** (thing + hand: thing used by the hand to extend its capabilities)	II-74, 117 III-42
	**toothbrush** (brush + teeth)	II-25 III-29
	**toothpaste** (chemical product + brush + teeth: chemical product for brushing teeth)	II-25, 76 III-53
	**top** (enclosure + pointer, to top)	II-91 III-24
	**top, dreidel (Hebrew)** (pictograph)	II-113, 120 III-52
	**Torah (Hebrew)** (pictograph of a scroll on two posts: the Torah contains the Old Testament)	II-113 III-52
	tortoise *see* **turtle**	
	total *see* **all**	
	**touch (to), feel (to)** (hand + action indicator)	II-36, 80 III-42
	tow (to) *see* **pull (to)**	
	toward *see* **to**	
	towards *see* **to**	
	**towel** (cloth + dry)	II-24, 73 III-5
	**toy** (thing + play: a plaything)	II-120 III-25

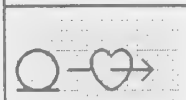
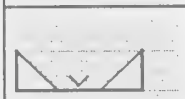
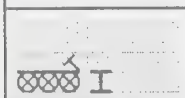
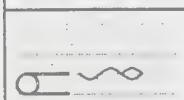
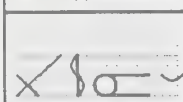
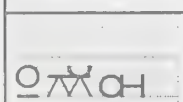
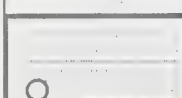
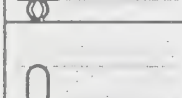
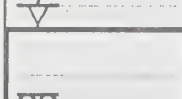
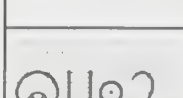
	**toy animal, stuffed animal** (animal + man-made)	II-120 III-44
	**tractor** (pictograph)	II-100, 103 III-9
	trade *see* **business**	
	trade (to) *see* **exchange (to)**	
	**traffic** (many + car)	II-101 III-38
	trailer *see* **camper**	
	**train** (many + railway car: many connected railway cars)	II-100, 103 III-38
	**trampoline** (platform + to jump)	II-121 III-29
	**translate (to)** (bridge + language + action indicator: to form a bridge of understanding between languages)	II-41, 94 III-47
	transparent *see* **clear**	
	transport (to) *see* **carry (to)**	
	**transvestite (female)** (woman + to dress + man: woman who dresses like a man)	II-28 III-50
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	trash *see* **waste**	
	trash can *see* **garbage can**	
	travel *see* **trip**	
	**travel (to)** (trip + action indicator)	II-37, 101, 123 III-9
	**tray** (pictograph)	II-68 III-32
	**treat** (thing + special)	II-115 III-25
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	**triangle** (shape + triangular shape: triangle, a geometric shape)	II-86 III-14
	**triangular** (triangle + description indicator)	II-86 III-14

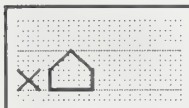
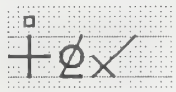
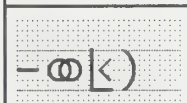
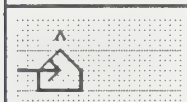
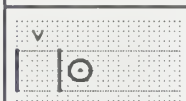
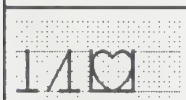
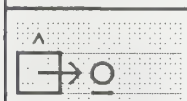
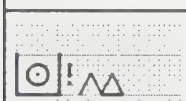
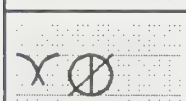
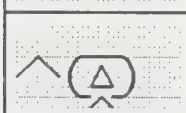
	**tricycle** (3 + wheel: three-wheeled cycle)	II-100, 119 III-55
	**trip, journey, travel, voyage** (wheel + earth: movement along the earth)	II-37, 101, 123 III-9
	**trouble** (feeling + two arrows, pointing backward: feeling of being beset by opposing forces) See also: **worry.**	II-45, 49*c* III-3
	trousers *see* **pants**	
	**truck, lorry (UK)** (combination of to carry *and* motor vehicle, with many wheels: large motor vehicle for carrying things)	II-100, 103 III-25
	truck (UK) *see* **wagon**	
	**true, truly, truthful, truthfully** (truth + description indicator)	II-42 III-19
	truly *see* **true**	
	**trunk** (tree + pointer, to trunk)	II-5 III-22
	trunk *see* **body**	
	**trust, confidence** (feeling + certain)	II-38, 45, 49*c* III-4
	**trust (to)** (trust + action indicator)	II-39, 49*c*, 50 III-4
	**truth** (mind + creation + question mark: the mind believes itself to understand the nature of things, but it may be in error)	II-38, 112 III-19
	truthful *see* **true**	
	truthfully *see* **true**	
	**try (to), attempt (to)** (forward + difficult + action indicator: to move forward with difficulty)	II-33 III-7
	**Tu B'Shvat (Hebrew)** (day + birth + tree + plural indicator)	II-115 III-11
	**tubal ligation** (operation + fallopian tube)	II-27 III-39
	tube *see* **pipe**	
	**Tuesday** (day + 3: third day of the week)	II-89 III-11
	tug (to) *see* **pull (to)**	
	**tune, melody** (plan + musical note: planned sequence of notes)	II-99 III-19

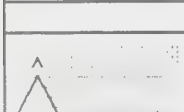
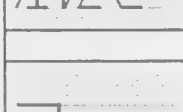
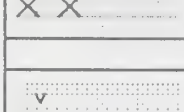
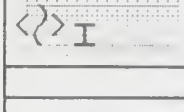
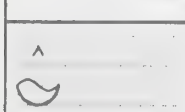
	**turkey** (bird + food + big: large bird used for food)	II-11 III-21
	**turkey** (food + bird + big)	II-58 III-16
	**turn** (time + activity: person's time to do something)	II-90 III-12
	**turn (to)** (curved arrow + action indicator)	II-36 III-9
	turn on (to) *see* **switch on (to)**	
	**turnip, rutabaga, vegetable (large-leafed)** (combination of vegetable below ground *and* leaf: large-leafed vegetable with an edible root)	II-63, 64*c* III-23
	**turtle, tortoise** (animal + pictograph of head and protective shell)	II-8 III-19
	**twinkle (to), shine (to), sparkle (to)** (star + action indicator)	II-1 III-39
	**two** (Arabic numeral)	II-83 III-55
	**type, kind, sort** (mind + division [half-sized]: the mind's division of things into categories)	II-38 III-19
	**typewriter, word processor** (machine + to write)	II-75, 96, 110 III-10
	tyre (UK) *see* **tire**	
	**ugh!, yuk!** (to speak + bad + description indicator: expressing a bad or negative feeling about something.The symbol does not have a specific word equivalent: it can represent ugh!, yuk! or similar negative expressions.)	II-47*c*, 52, 53*n*, 65, 96 III-4
	**ugly, unattractive** (eye + sad + description indicator: displeasing to the eye)	II-23 III-14
	**umbilical cord** (tube + fetus)	II-27 III-17
	**umbrella** (pictograph: symbol suggests an umbrella and incorporates **protection.**)	II-55 III-34
	unattractive *see* **ugly**	
	**uncle** (brother + parent: brother of one's father or mother)	II-17 III-34

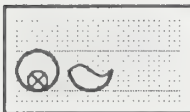
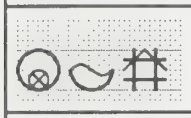
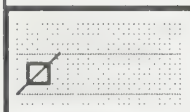
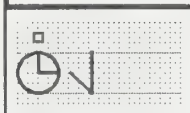
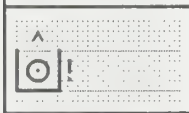
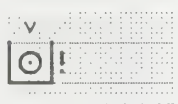
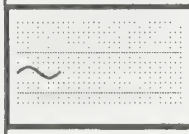
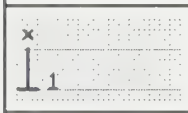
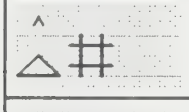
	**uncomfortable** (comfort + to cancel + description indicator)	II-23, 47*c*, 51 III-4
	uncooked *see* **raw**	
	**under, below, inferior** (horizontal reference line + dot: the dot is under or below the line)	II-49*c*, 91, 97*n*, 126 III-44
	underclothes *see* **underwear**	
	**underground shelter** (shelter + under)	II-71 III-27
	**underpants, briefs, panties** (pants + under)	II-54 III-33
	**undershirt** (shirt + under)	II-54 III-33
	**understand (to)** (combination of knowledge *and* into + action indicator: to enter into one's store of knowledge)	II-42 III-7
	**underwear, underclothes** (clothing + under: clothing worn under other clothing)	II-54 III-33
	**unemployment** (without + work)	II-43*n*, 57*n*, 104 III-47
	**unfold (to)** (opposite meaning + to fold + action indicator)	II-34 III-42
	unhappily *see* **sad**	
	unhappiness *see* **sadness**	
	unhappy *see* **sad**	
	**unidentified object** (explosive + maybe) (Israel)	II-107 III-9
	**unit, example, sample** (1 + thing indicator: a single item)	II-83 III-55
	unit (Aus) *see* **apartment**	
	**United Kingdom** (country + pictograph of Union Jack)	II-3, 106 III-51
	**university** (building + to exchange + knowledge)	II-69, 110 III-5
	**unless** (but + or)	II-125 III-47

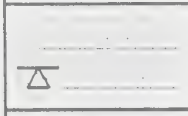
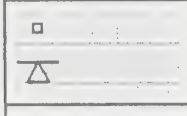
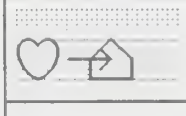
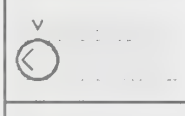
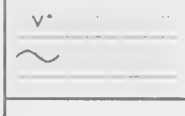
	**until, till, to** (arrowhead + reference line [half-sized]: the arrowhead has arrived at and touches the reference line. This symbol is a simplified form of **arrival, end.**)	**II**-87, 92, 126 **III**-51
	**up, upward** (arrow, pointing upward)	**II**-35, 40*n*, 92, 102*n*, 126 **III**-6
	**up and down** (up + down)	**II**-36, 92, 126 **III**-6
	**upset** (feeling + up and down + description indicator: having unsettled feelings)	**II**-46*c*, 51 **III**-3
	upward *see* **up**	
	**upward and backward** (diagonal arrow, pointing upward and backward)	**II**-92 **III**-8
	**upward and forward** (diagonal arrow, pointing upward and forward)	**II**-92 **III**-7
	**urethra** (tube + urine)	**II**-22, 26 **III**-17
	**urinate (to), pee (to)** (urine + action indicator)	**II**-22 **III**-26
	**urine** (waste + genitals)	**II**-22, 53*n* **III**-26
	us *see* **we**	
	**use (to)** (mind + tool + action indicator: to manipulate a tool rationally)	**II**-32, 39 **III**-18
	usual *see* **usually**	
	**usually, usual** (most + time + description indicator: on most occasions)	**II**-87 **III**-46
	**utensil** (tool + food)	**II**-67 **III**-42
	**uterus, womb** (body + creation [half sized]: part of a woman's body where new life is nurtured)	**II**-26 **III**-23
	**vacation, holiday** (unemployment + happy: time of not working, which is happy) See also: **holiday.**	**II**-46*c*, 123 **III**-47
	**vagina** (uterus + pointer, to passage)	**II**-21, 26 **III**-23

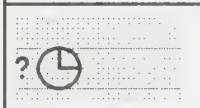
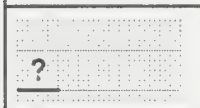
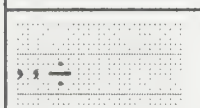
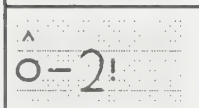
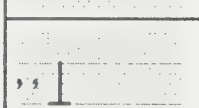
	**valentine** (paper + love: message of love)	II-115 III-27
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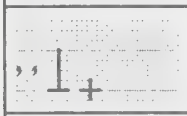
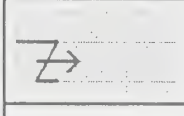
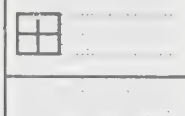
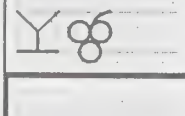
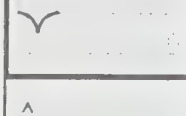
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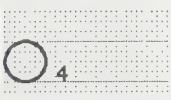
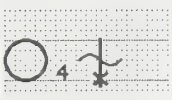
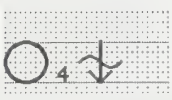
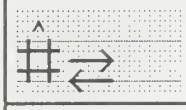
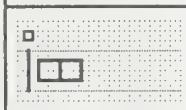
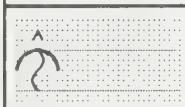
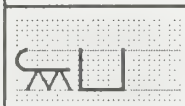
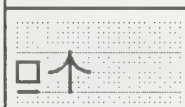
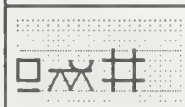
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	**when ?** (what ? + time: interrogative)	II-87, 127 III-54
	**where** (combination of relativizer *and* place: conjunction used to introduce a relative clause) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-91, 127, 129*n* III-54
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	**where ?** (combination of what ? *and* place: interrogative)	II-91, 127 III-54
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	**which ?** (what ? + part: interrogative)	II-127 III-54
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	**who, whom** (relativizer + person: relative pronoun) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-127, 129*n* III-54
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	whom ? *see* **who ?**	

	**whose** (relativizer + belongs to: relative pronoun, possessive form) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-127 III-54
	**whose** (who + belongs to: relative pronoun, possessive form) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-127 III-54
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	**why ?** (what ? + cause [half-sized])	II-127 III-54
	**wide** (two reference lines + two pointers + description indicator: the pointers point outward to the widest space bounded by the reference lines)	II-85 III-48
	**wife** (protection + woman: this symbol, joined to **husband**, produces **family**)	II-17 III-34
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	**winter** (sun + 4: fourth season) (CKB) SYMBOL SYNONYM	II-90 III-10
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	**wolf, dingo (Aus), wild dog** (dog + open: untamed animal similar to a dog that lives in the open)	II-7 III-21
	**woman, female** (combination of person *and* creation {half-sized]: CKB says woman embodies the creative principle in society. The symbol also looks like a stick figure of a woman wearing a skirt.)	II-14, 26 III-49
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	**work (to)** (work + action indicator: to do with a purpose)	II-32, 104 III-40



workbook
(book + to work)
II-96, 110
III-25



worker
(person + to work)
II-18, 104
III-36



work of art, art object
(man-made + feeling + thing indicator: man-made thing that inspires emotion in the beholder)
II-98
III-29

work table *see* **desk**



world
(sky + earth: what exists between sky and earth)
II-1
III-43



worm
(earth [extended] + snake: snake-like creature that lives underground)
II-8
III-43



worry
(mind + two arrows, pointing backward: thinking that one is beset by opposing forces)
II-38
III-18



worry (to)
(worry + action indicator)
II-38
III-18

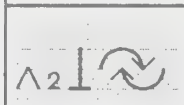
worse *see Note p. II-85*

worst *see Note p. II-85*

wound *see* **sore**



wow!
(to speak + good + description indicator: expressing a good or positive feeling about something.The symbol does not have a specific word equivalent. It can represent wow!, great!, or other similar positive expressions.)
II-47*c*, 52, 53*n*, 65, 96
III-4



wrestling, judo
(sport [contraction] + 2 + person + to mix: sport in which two people grapple with each other)
II-121
III-41



wrist
(arm + pointer, to wrist)
II-20
III-32

wristwatch *see* **watch**



write (to)
(pen + action indicator)
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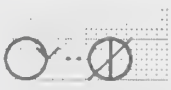
writing board *see* **blackboard**

writing book *see* **notebook**

written record *see* **paper**

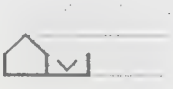
wrong *see* **bad**; *see also* **immoral**; *see also* **incorrect**

yacht (Aus) *see* **sailboat**

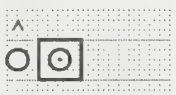
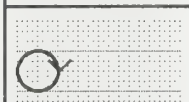
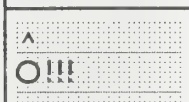
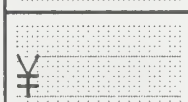
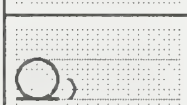
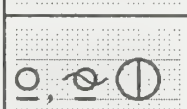
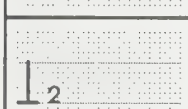
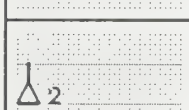


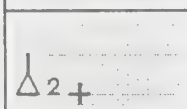
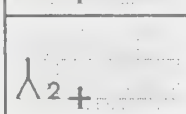
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(anniversary + death)
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yam *see* **sweet potato**



yard
(house + enclosure [modified] + pointer: area next to a building)
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	yours (f.pl.) *see* **your (f.pl.)**	
	yours (m.pl.) *see* **your (m.pl.)**	
	yourself *see* **you**	
	yourself (f.sing.) *see* **you (f.sing.)**	
	yourself (m.sing.) *see* **you (m.sing.)**	
	yourselves *see* **you**	
	yourselves (f.pl.) *see* **you (f.pl.)**	
	yourselves (m.pl.) *see* **you (m.pl.)**	
	youth *see* **teenager**	
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astronaut
comet
cosmonaut
earth
moon
rocket
shine (to)
spaceship
sparkle (to),
star
sun
twinkle (to)

THE WORLD

Earth, air, fire and water

air
ashes
atmosphere
bubble
burn (to)
burned
burning
burnt
cloud
coal
creation
dust
earth
environment
fire
flame
flammable
flood
fluid
gas
ground
inflammable
land
light
liquid
mud
nature
pollution
powder
rock
sand
sky
smoke
steam
stone
water
wind
world

Geographical features

bank
beach
bog
bush
cave
coast
country
countryside
forest
grove
harbour
hill
hole
horizon
island
lake
landscape
map
marsh
mountain
ocean
orchard
pond
river
scenery
sea
shore
swamp
valley
volcano
woods

Compass points

east
eastern
north
northern
south
southern
west
western

Countries

Canada
Denmark
Finland
Holland
Iceland
Ireland
Israel
Netherlands (The)
Sweden
United Kingdom

WEATHER

blow (to)
chilly
chilly
cloud
cloudy
cold
cool
damp
dry
fog
freeze (to)
hail
heat
hot
ice
lightning
melt (to)
rain
rain (to)
rainy
shine (to)
snow
snow (to)
snowflake
snowstorm
storm
sun
sunny
sunrise
sunset
temperature
thaw (to)
thermometer
thunder
warm
weather
wet
wind

LIVING THINGS

PLANTS

berry
branch
bulb
bulb (flower)
bush
carrot
cereal
evergreen tree
flower
flower (from bulb)
flower (protected)
flower (wild)
fruit
grain
grass
grow (to)
lawn
leaf
leafy vegetable
lettuce
log
maple leaf
meadow
onion
palm tree
plant
raise (to)
rice
roots
seed
shamrock
shrub
stalk
stem
stick
tobacco
tree
trunk
turnip
vegetable (above ground)
vegetable (below ground)
vegetable (bulb)
vegetable (cylinder-shaped)
vegetable (large-leafed)
vegetable (wedge-shaped)

Where plants grow

bank
beach
bog
bush
coast
countryside
field
forest
garden
glasshouse (UK)
greenhouse
hothouse
lake

marsh
mountain
ocean
orchard
park
pond
sea
shore
swamp
woods

ANIMALS
alligator
amphibian
animal
ape
bat
bear
beast
beaver
bison
bovine animal
buffalo
bull
bull (fighting)
calf
camel
canine animal
caribou
cat
caterpillar
cervine animal
chameleon
chipmunk
cow
creature
crocodile
deer
dingo (Aus)
dinosaur
dog
dolphin
domestic animal
donkey
dromedary
elephant
elk
feline animal
fox
frog
gerbil
giraffe
gopher
gorilla
ground hog
guinea pig
hamster
hare
hedgehog
hippopotamus
horse
kangaroo
kitten
koala
leopard
lion
lizard
marsupial animal
monkey
moose
mouse
mule
muskrat
opossum
ovine animal
ox
pet
pig
porcupine
porpoise
possum
primate
protected animal
puppy
rabbit
raccoon
rat
reindeer
reptile
rhinoceros
rodent animal
sheep
skunk
snake
snake (water)
snake-like animal
squirrel
tiger
toad
tortoise
turtle
water animal
whale
wild animal
wild dog
wolf
worm
zebra

Related symbols
animal skin
antler(s)
claw (animal)
coat
fur
hair
hide
hoof
horn(s)
leather
paw
pelt
tail
wool

Birds
bird
blackbird
bluebird
budgie
chicken
crow
domestic bird
duck
eagle
finch
goose
gull
hawk
myna
night bird
ostrich
owl
parakeet
parrot
peacock
pelican
penguin
poultry
protected bird
raven
road runner
sea gull
songbird
swan
talking bird
thrush
turkey
vulture
water bird
wild bird

Related symbols
claw (bird)
feather
fly (to)
flying
wings

Insects
ant
bee
beetle
bug
butterfly
flea
fly
grasshopper
insect
insect (pest)
mite
mosquito
moth
scorpion
snail
spider
termite
tick

Fish and sea creatures
clam
crab
crayfish
dolphin
eel
fish
goldfish
guppy
lobster
oyster
pet fish
porpoise
shark
starfish
whale

Places to keep animals
barn
cage
farm
park
shed (Aus)
stable
zoo

HUMAN BEINGS
back
human being
ill
illness
individual
kneel (to)
kneeling person
lie down (to)
need
need (to)
needy person
person
person (other)
person (self)
person lying down
sick
sick person
sit (to)
sitting person
standing person
weak
weak person

Gender and age differences
adolescent

adult
baby
baby boy
baby girl
boy
child
female
feminine
gender
girl
grown-up
infant
kid
lad
male
man
masculine
mature
sex
teenager
woman
young adult
youngster
youth

Pronouns

anybody
anyone
he
he or she
her
hers
herself
him
him or her
himself
his
his or her(s)
I
it
its
me
mine
my
myself
no one
nobody
oneself
other
other person
our
ours
ourselves
person (other)
person (self)
self
she
somebody
someone
their
theirs
them
themselves
they
us
we
you
your
yourselves
yours
yourself
yourselves

Family members

aunt
brother
child
cohabitant
cousin
dad
daddy
daughter
family
father
foster mother
foster parent
granddad
grandfather
grandfather (maternal)
grandfather (paternal)
grandma
grandmother
grandmother (maternal)
grandmother (paternal)
grandpa
grandparent
granny
husband
mom
mommy
mother
mum
nephew
niece
offspring
papa
parent
relation
relative
sibling
sister
son
spouse
stepfather
stepmother
uncle
wife

People in groups

army
band
choir
chorus
class
couple
everybody
everyone
government
group
navy
orchestra
service
staff
team

People in the community

adviser
aide
architect
assistant
astronaut
baby sitter
barber
boss
bus driver
cab driver
chauffeur
clerk
composer
conductor
cosmonaut
counsellor
dentist
director
doctor
driver
farmer
fire fighter
fireman
friend
ghost
guest
guide
hairdresser
helper
instructor
leader
letter carrier
lover
mailman
maker
manager
manufacturer
milkman
minister
musician
neighbour
nurse
painter
paratrooper
pastor
phantom
physician
pilot
police officer
postman
priest
producer
pupil
rabbi
resident
sailor
secretary
secretary
singer
social worker
soldier
stranger
student
supervisor
sweetheart
taxi driver
teacher
terrorist
therapist
visitor
volunteer
warrior
worker

THE BODY

Body parts and body functions

ankle
anus
arm
back
beard
belch (to)
bladder
bleed (to)
blood
blow (to)
body
bone
bottom
bowel
bowel movement
brain
breasts
breath
breathe (to)
burp (to)
buttocks
cheek
chest

chin
choke (to)
cough (to)
crotch
defecate (to)
digest (to)
digestion
drink (to)
ear
eat (to)
elbow
emotion
eye
eyebrow
eyelid
face
feces
feel (to)
feeling
finger
foot
forehead
gag (to)
genitals
hair
hair
hand
head
heart
heel
hip
hurt (to)
intestine
joint
knee
leg
legs and feet
lips
mouth
move bowels (to)
muscle
neck
neck
nipples
nose
pain (to feel)
pee (to)
penis
perspiration
perspire (to)
pubic hair
saliva
sensation
sex organs
shoulder
side
skeleton
skin
sleep
sleep (to)
sneeze (to)
spit
spit (to)
stomach
suffer (to)
swallow (to)
sweat
sweat (to)
teeth
thumb
toe
tongue
trunk
urethra
urinate (to)
urine
vagina
waist
wrist
yawn (to)

Describing the body

asleep
awake
beautiful
better
big
chilly
cold
comfortable
cool
drunk
dry
elderly
exhausted
fat
good
good-looking
handsome
healthy
high
hot
ill
large
little
low
old
painful
painfully
powerful
pretty
short
sick
slim
small
sore
strong
tall
thick
thin
tired
ugly
unattractive
uncomfortable
warm
weak
weary
well
wiggly
young

Hygiene and grooming

absorbent material
basin
bath (UK)
bathe (to)
bathroom
bathtub
clean
clean (to)
detergent
diaper
dirty
dry (to)
flannel (UK)
handkerchief
mark
nappy (UK)
sanitary napkin
sauna
shower
shower (to)
sink
soap
soiled
sponge
spot
steam bath
tampon
tissue
toilet
toilet paper
towel
wash (to)
washcloth
washroom
water
wipe (to)

Grooming and grooming aids

barber shop
beauty shop
bindi
blusher
brush
brush (to)
brush teeth (to)
comb
comb (to)
dental floss
deodorant
eye makeup
eyebrow pencil
fragrance
kohl
lipstick
makeup
nail polish
nail varnish
perfume
razor
rouge
shampoo
shave (to)
shaver
shaving cream
shaving soap
sun lotion
sun screen
talcum powder
tika
toothbrush
toothpaste

Sexuality

Female

amenorrhea
breasts
cervix
clitoris
egg
fallopian tube
female
feminine
gender
genitals (female)
hysterectomy
menopause
menstrual period
menstruation
ovary
ovum
sex
sex organs (female)
sexual
sexuality
uterus
vagina
vulva
woman
womb

Male

circumcision
ejaculation
erect penis
erection
foreskin

genitals (male)
male
man
masculine
nocturnal emission
penis
scrotum
semen
seminal vesicle
sex organs (male)
sperm
testicle
urethra
vas deferens
wet dream

Reproduction
abortion (induced)
abortion (spontaneous)
artificial insemination
birth
C-section
Caesarean section
conception
contraction (uterine)
embryo
fertile
fertility counselling
fertilization
fetus
infertile
labour
miscarriage
pregnancy
pregnant
premature birth
reproduction
sterile
umbilical cord

Birth control
abstinence
barrier contraceptive
birth control
birth control pill
celibacy
chastity
condom
diaphragm
family plan-ning clinic
family planning
intra-uterine device
IUD
rhythm method
spermicide
sterilization
the Pill
tubal ligation
vasectomy

Sexual activity
abuse
anal intercourse
assault
child abuse
copulation
cuddle (to)
embrace (to)
exhibitionism
heterosexuality
homosexuality (female)
homosexuality (male)
hug (to)
incest
indecent exposure
kiss
kiss (to)
lesbianism
libido
masturbation
oral sex
orgasm
private
prostitution
public
rape
self-abuse
sex drive
sexual abuse
sexual arousal
sexual assault
sexual excitement
sexual harassment
sexual intercourse
sexual pleasure
sexual urge
sexual violence
stroke (to)
violence
virginity
voyeurism

Related symbols
adolescence
maturation
puberty
transvestite (female)
transvestite (male)

BEING ALIVE

THINGS WE DO

Living
alter (to)
alteration
appointment
be (to)
become (to)
behaviour
being
birth
bury (to)
cemetery
change
change (to)
creature
cuddle (to)
date
dead
death
deceased
develop (to)
development
die (to)
divorce
divorce (to)
dwell (to)
elderly
embrace (to)
engaged
exist (to),
grave
grow (to)
hug (to)
kiss
kiss (to)
life
live (to)
marriage
marry (to)
mortal
old
pass away (to)
perish (to)
pregnant
real
really
reside (to)
young

Having, getting and giving

Having
have (to)
hold (to)
keep (to)
own (to)
possess (to)
preserve (to)
save (to)
share (to)

Getting and giving
acquire (to)
aid
aid (to)
amuse (to)
assemble (to)
assist (to)
assistance
borrow (to)
bring (to)
bring (to)
buy (to)
carry (to)
catch (to)
cost
decrease (to)
earn (to)
enlarge (to)
enter-tain (to)
exchange (to)
find (to)
gather (to)
get (to)
give (to)
help
help (to)
include (to)
increase (to)
instruct (to)
learn (to)
lend (to)
loan (to)
move (to)
necessarily
necessary
need
need (to)
offer (to)
pay
pay (to)
please (to)
price
protect (to)
provide (to)
receive (to)
reduce (to)
salary
sell (to)
send (to)
serve (to)
substitute (to)
support
support (to)
support (to)
take (to)
take care of (to)
teach (to)

trade (to)
transport (to)
wages
win (to)

Doing, making and breaking

Doing

ability
act
act (to)
action
Action (The)
active
actively
activity
artificial respiration (to give)
attempt (to)
be able (to)
begin (to)
blink (to)
can
capability
capacity
cause
cause (to)
caused by (to be)
cigarette
compel (to)
compete (to)
complete (to)
comply (to)
deed
demonstrate (to)
direct (to)
do (to)
dream (to)
dry (to)
effect
employment
evaluate (to)
evaluate as good (to) (Hebrew)
evaluation
event
exclude (to)
exercise (to)
find (to)
finish (to)
follow (to)
force (to)
grin (to)
guide (to)
hang (to)
happen (to)
happening
hook (to)
improve (to)
include (to)
indicate (to)
job
laugh (to)
lead (to)
lock (to)
lose (to)
mail (to)
obey (to)
occasion
occur (to)
patience
patient (to be)
pipe
play (to)
point (to)
post (to)
potential
practise (to)
prepare (to)
prepared
race (to)
read (to)
ready
result
show (to)
smile (to)
smoke (to)
start (to)
succeed (to)
success
terrorize (to)
try (to)
use (to)
value
win (to)
wink (to)
work
work (to)

Making

arrange (to)
attach (to)
combination
combine (to)
conceal (to)
connect (to)
connection
cook (to)
copy (to)
create (to)
creation
creative
crochet (to)
design (to)
draw (to)
dye (to)
empty (to)
fasten (to)
fill (to)
fix (to)
fold (to)
glue (to)
grow (to)
hide (to)
invent (to)
join (to)
knit (to)
link (to)
make (to)
man-made
manufacture (to)
nature
organize (to)
paint (to)
paste (to)
plan (to)
pleat (to)
prepare food (to)
produce (to)
raise (to)
repair (to)
repeat (to)
reproduce (to)
sew (to)
sketch (to)
stick (to)
unfold (to)
void (to)
weave (to)
write (to)

Breaking

break (to)
breakable
broken
cancel (to)
chop (to)
crack (to)
crash
crash (to)
cross out (to)
crush (to)
cut (to)
destroy (to)
divide (to)
fracture (to)
fragile
grind (to)
hurt (to)
injure (to)
kill (to)
murder (to)
prick (to)
puncture (to)
shatter (to)
smash (to)
squeeze (to)
tear (to)

Moving and staying still

Moving

absorb (to)
act
act (to)
action
Action (The)
active
actively
activity
advance (to)
approach
approach (to)
ascend (to)
assemble (to)
assembly
back
back and forth
back up (to)
backward
backward and forward
begin (to)
beginning
blend (to)
bring (to)
bring (to)
carry (to)
carry (to)
catch (to)
circle (to)
circulate (to)
clean (to)
climb (to)
close (to)
combat (to)
come (to)
come back (to)
conference
continue (to)
crash (to)
crawl (to)
dance (to)
deed
depart (to)
departure
descend (to)
dig (to)
do (to)
down
downward
drag (to)
drive (to)
dust (to)
enclose (to)
encounter (to)
enter (to)
exit (to)

fall (to)
fast
feel (to)
fight (to)
float (to)
fly (to)
forward
gather (to)
gathering
go (to)
go down (to)
go through (to)
go up (to)
hit (to)
hop (to)
insert (to)
jiggle (to)
journey
journey (to)
jump (to)
kick (to)
leave (to)
lift (to)
locate (to)
meet (to)
meeting
mix (to)
move (to)
open (to)
pass (to)
penetrate (to)
place (to)
polish (to)
pull (to)
push (to)
put (to)
quick
quickly
raise (to)
rapid
rapidly
remove (to)
return
return (to)
reverse (to)
ride (to)
rise (to)
rock (to)
rotate (to)
rub (to)
run (to)
send (to)
shake (to)
shove (to)
shut (to)
slow
slowly
splash (to)
squirm (to)
start
start (to)
stroke (to)
subtract (to)
sway (to)
swim (to)
swing (to)
switch on (to)
take (to)
take away (to)
through
throw (to)
tiptoe (to)
to and fro
touch (to)
tow (to)
transport (to)
travel
travel (to)
trip
tug (to)
turn (to)
turn on (to)
up
up and down
upward
visit (to)
voyage
walk (to)
wiggle (to)
wiggly
wipe (to)

Staying still

arrival
arrive (to)
comfort
dwell (to)
end
end (to)
kneel (to)
lie down (to)
live (to)
patient (to be)
remain (to)
reside (to)
rest
rest (to)
sit (to)
stand (to)
stay (to)
stop
stop (to)
wait (to)

Thinking

advice
anticipation
arithmetic
confidence
contentment
counsel
decision
design
error
excuse
expectation
fact
idea
intellect
intellectual (Aus)
kind
lie
math
mathematics
meaning
mental
method
mind
mistake
nonsense
opinion
plan
point of view
proposal
rational
reason
reason (to)
recommendation
satisfaction
science
self-control
sense
significance
sort
suggestion
system
think (to)
thinking
thought
trust
truth
type
what kind ?
worry

Mental actions

advise (to)
allow (to)
anticipate (to)
approve (to)
arrange (to)
calculate (to)
compare (to)
compel (to)
comply (to)
contrast (to)
control oneself (to)
counsel (to)
demonstrate (to)
decide (to)
describe (to)
design (to)
direct (to)
doubt (to)
excuse (to)
expect (to)
follow (to)
force (to)
forced to (to be)
govern (to)
guess (to)
guide (to)
invent (to)
lead (to)
let (to)
lie (to)
mean (to)
must
obey (to)
observe (to)
organize (to)
permit (to)
plan (to)
propose (to)
recommend (to)
rule (to)
seem (to)
show (to)
signify (to)
suggest (to)
trust (to)
use (to)
wish (to)
worry (to)

Related symbols

add (to)
afraid (to be)
answer
answer (to)
ask (to)
assessment
believe (to)
choice
choose (to)
count (to)
dislike
dislike (to)
divide (to)
dread (to)
favourite
fear (to)
find (to)
gain (to)
hate (to) (Hebrew)
hope (to)
inquire (to)
like (to)
make believe (to)
make-believe

measure (to)
multiply (to)
pick (to)
pretend (to)
problem
question
question (to)
remove (to)
reply
reply (to)
select (to)
selection
solve (to)
subtract (to)
take away (to)
test
translate (to)

Describing thinking

accurate
bad
bright
careful
certain
clever
considerate
correct
difficult
dumb
easy
good
guilty
hard
important
inaccurate
incorrect
intelligent
interesting
likely
maybe
perhaps
possible
possibly
probable
probably
right
self-centred
selfish
significant
smart
stupid
sure
thoughtful
true
truly
truthful
truthfully
wrong

Knowing

explain (to)
forget (to)
instruct (to)
know (to)
knowledge
learn (to)
recall (to)
remember (to)
teach (to)
understand (to)

Conscience

bad
conscience
forgive (to)
immoral
moral
right
sin
sin (to)
wrong

Feeling and emotion

Emotional states

admiration
affection
anxiety
belief
charity
comfort
confidence
danger
depression
discomfort
dislike
disturbance
embarrassment
emotion
empathy
excitement
feeling
fidelity
freedom
frustration
fun
goodness
guilt
happiness
harassment
harmony
intimacy
joy
liberty
loss
love
loyalty
luck
mood
patience
peace
pleasure
respect
rest
sadness
safety
security
sensation
serenity
shame
sorrow
trouble
trust
unhappiness

Emotional actions

afraid (to be)
amuse (to)
believe (to)
comfort (to)
console (to)
cry (to)
desire (to)
dislike (to)
dread (to)
enjoy (to)
entertain (to)
fear (to)
feel (to)
grin (to)
hate (to)
hate (to) (Hebrew)
hope (to)
joke (to)
laugh (to)
like (to)
lose (to)
love (to)
miss (to)
patient (to be)
regret (to)
resent (to)
rest (to)
smile (to)
surprise (to)
tease (to)
terrified (to be)
terror (to feel)
terrorize (to)
thank (to)
trust (to)
want (to)
weep (to)

Describing emotions

afraid
alone
angrily
angry
anxious
anxiously
bad
best
better
close
comfortable
cruel
dangerous
desirable
embarrassed
embarrassing
envious
excited
fortunate
free
freely
frightened
frustrated
frustrating
funny
glad
gladly
good
guilty
happily
happy
humble
humorous
intimate
jealous
just
kind
kindly
lonely
lonesome
lovable
lucky
mad
mean
meek
naughty
naughty
nice
only
peaceful
private
proud
public
restful
sad
sadly
safe
safely
scared
secure
securely
serene
solitary

special
strange
sweet
uncomfortable
unhappily
unhappy
upset
well
wrong

Related symbols
attention
careful
dear
sorry
that's too bad (Hebrew)
ugh!
wow!
yuk!

Sensation
ache
cramp
hungry
hurt (to)
hurt (to)
injure (to)
pain
pain (to feel)
painful
painfully
sore
spasm
suffer (to)
suffering
thirsty

THINGS WE NEED

CLOTHING
apron
bathing suit
bib
blouse
boot(s)
bra
brassiere
briefs
cap
cloth
clothes
clothing
coat
costume
coverall
dhoti
diaper
disguise
disguise (to)
dress
dress (to)
dress up (to)
dressing gown
earmuffs
fabric
garment
glove(s)
handkerchief
hat
helmet
hood
housecoat
jacket
jeans
jumper
leather
lungi
material
mitt(s)
mitten(s)
nappy (UK)
net
night-gown
nightie (Aus)
overall
pajamas
panties
pants
pantyhose
petticoat
pyjamas
raincoat
robe
sandal(s)
sari
scarf
shirt
shoe(s)
shorts
ski boot(s)
skirt
slacks
slip
slipper(s)
smock
snowsuit
sock(s)
stocking(s)
suit
sweater
swimsuit
tights
trousers
underclothes
underpants
undershirt
underwear
wear (to)
winter clothing

Accessories
accessory
backpack
badge
bag
baggage
belt
bow
button
cane
decoration
fan
fastener
gripper
handbag
jewel
luggage
necktie
ornament
pocket
pocketbook
purse
ribbon
ring
rucksack
sack
sash
sleeping bag
snap
stick
strap
string
suitcase
tie
umbrella
velcro
velcro
walking stick
wallet
watch
wristwatch
zipper

Making and caring for clothing
bathe (to)
cloth
clothes
clothes washer
clothing
crochet (to)
cut (to)
fabric
garment
iron
iron (to)
ironing board
knit (to)
make (to)
manufacture (to)
material
needle
net
scissors
sew (to)
sewing machine
wash (to)
washable
washing machine
weave (to)
wool

FOOD
food

Eating
bite (to)
chew (to)
diet
diet (to)
digest (to)
digestion
eat (to)
feed (to)
hungry
taste
taste (to)
thirsty

Food from animals
bacon
beef
chicken
duck
egg
egg
fish
frankfurter
goose
ham
hot dog
lamb
meat
meatball
mutton
pork
poultry
sausage
turkey
veal

Sweets
biscuit
cake
candy
Chanukah cookie
chocolate
cookie
dessert
halvah
hamentasch (Hebrew)
honey

ice cream
ice cream cone
pie
sherbet
soufganiya
sweet
sweet (a)
tart

Spreads
butter
chocolate spread
honey
hummus
jam
jelly
margarine
marmalade
peanut butter
preserves
sauce
sesame seed spread
spread
spread (to)
tahini

Ingredients
chocolate flavouring
cocoa powder
condiment
cornmeal
cream
flavouring
flour
milk
oil
pepper
salt
seasoning
sugar
sweetener
vinegar

Prepared foods
bread
broth
bun
cereal
challah (Hebrew)
chapati
cheese
chips (UK)
crisps
falafel
foodball
frankfurter
french fries
frozen food
fruit yogurt
hamburger
hot dog
loaf of bread
matzo (Hebrew)
meatball
pita
pizza
polenta
popcorn
potato chips
potato crisps (UK)
roll
roti
salad
sandwich
sauerkraut
soup
spaghetti
toast
yogurt

Fruits
apple
apricot
avocado
banana
berry
blackberry
blueberry
cherries
citrus fruit
clementine
coconut
compound berry
cowberry
cranberry
currants
currants
date
drupe
fruit
grapefruit
grapes
lemon
lime
lingonberry
mandarin
mango
melon
mountain berry
nectarine
nut
olive
orange
peach
pear
peel
pineapple
pit
plum
prune
raisins
raspberry
stone
strawberry
tangerine

Vegetables
bean
beet
broccoli
brussels sprout(s)
cabbage
carrot
cauliflower
celery
cereal
chick-pea
corn
cucumber
dried bean
eggplant
garlic
grain
green bean
green onion
horseradish
kidney bean
mushroom
onion
parsnip
peas
pepper
pinto bean
potato
pumpkin
radish
rice
runner bean
rutabaga
scallion
spring onion (UK)
squash
string bean
sweet potato
tomato
turnip
vegetable (above ground)
vegetable (below ground)
wax bean
yam

Drinking
alcoholic beverage
alcoholic drink
beer
beverage
chocolate drink
cocoa
coffee
cup
drink
drink (to)
drinking glass
drinking straw
fluid
fruit juice
glass
grape juice
hot chocolate
lemonade
liquid
liquor
milk
milk shake
mug
pop
soda pop
soft drink
straw
tea
water
wine

Describing food and drink
all gone
appetizing
bad
bitter
cold
delicious
fewer
fresh
frozen
good
hot
icy
less
little
many
maximum
more
most
much
raw
rich
salty
sharp
small
spicey
sweet
tasty
too many
too much
ugh!
uncooked
very
wow!
yuk!

Occasions when food is eaten
breakfast
dinner
dinner
festival
four o'clock eating break (Israel)
lunch
meal
party
picnic
snack
supper
ten o'clock eating break (Israel)

Preparing food
bake (to)
barbecue (to)
blend (to)
boil (to)
broil (to)
burn (to)
chop (to)
cook (to)
crush (to)
cut (to)
deep fry (to)
drain (to)
freeze (to)
fry (to)
grill (to)
heat (to)
mash (to)
melt (to)
microwave (to)
mix (to)
peel (to)
pit (to)
poach (to)
prepare food (to)
roast (to)
saute (to)
sift (to)
simmer (to)
solidify (to)
steam (to)
strain (to)
thaw (to)
toast (to)

Cooking equipment
apron
bowl
can
colander
container
coverall
cylinder
dish
fork
fridge
garbage can
holder
kettle
knife
match
microwave oven
oven
overall
pan
plate
platter
pot
pouch
recipe
refrigerator
rubbish bin (UK)
sieve
smock
spoon
stove
strainer
toaster
trash can
utensil

Things needed for eating
bib
bottle
bowl
container
cooler
cup
cutlery
dish
drinking glass
drinking straw
flask
flask (UK)
fork
glass
glassware
holder
jug
kettle
knife
mug
napkin
pitcher
plate
platter
pot
pouch
serviette
spoon
straw
tablecloth
thermos
tray

BUILDINGS
apartment
art gallery
bank
barn
Blissymbolics Resource Centre
building
cabin
camper
caravan
castle
church
cinema
clinic
concert hall
cottage
day care centre
dwell (to)
dwelling
factory
flat
gallery
garage
glasshouse
greenhouse
group home
home
hospital
hostel
hotel
hothouse
house
hut
jail
library
live (to)
mosque
motel
movie theatre
museum
palace
plant
post office
prison
reside (to)
residence
residential institution
resource centre
school
shed (Aus)
showplace
stable
temple
tent
theatre
trailer
unit (Aus)
university

Related symbols
city
fence
kibbutz
mall
moshav
plaza
shopping centre
street
village
wall
yard

Parts of buildings
chimney
cover
door
elevator
letterbox (Aus)
lift (Aus/UK)
mailbox
postbox (UK)
protection
roof
stairs
steps
window
window (barred)

ROOMS
balcony
bathroom
bedroom
dining room
enclosure
kitchen
living room
lounge
porch
room
sitting room
veranda
washroom

Special purpose rooms
classroom
gym
gymnasium
library
moadan (Israel)
office
recreation centre
refuge
sauna
shelter
shower
steam bath
storeroom

underground shelter
Public rooms
baby clinic
bar
barber shop
beauty shop
cafe
cafeteria
clinic
coffee house
family planning clinic
food store
grocery store
launderette
laundromat
mall
plaza
pub
public room
restaurant
shop
shopping centre
store
supermarket
Parts of rooms
ceiling
closet
corner
cupboard
door
fireplace
floor
wall
wardrobe
window

FURNISHINGS
alpana
armchair
ashtray
bed
bench
bureau
candle
carpet
chair
chest of drawers
chesterfield
closet
couch
cupboard
curtains
decoration
desk
drapes
drawer
dresser
floor covering
furniture
linoleum
mat
mirror
ornament
pew
picture
platform
rocking chair
rug
seat
shelf
sofa
stage
table
wardrobe
work table
Linens and bedding
bed linen
bedclothes
blanket
cushion
duvet
flannel (UK)
napkin
pillow
pillowcase
quilt
serviette
sheet
sleeping bag
tablecloth
towel
washcloth
Fixtures and appliances
basin
bath (UK)
bathtub
battery
clock
clothes washer
compact disc
electric cord
electric light
electric wire
flashlight
fridge
furnace
heater
iron
lamp
lantern
microwave oven
oven
plug
radio
record
record player
refrigerator
sink
stereo
stove
tape recorder
telephone
television
timepiece
toilet
video recorder
washer
washing machine

TOOLS, MACHINES, AND BUILDING MATERIALS
Tools
battery
broom
brush
bucket
electric cord
electric wire
explosive
firearm
flashlight
gavel
gun
hammer
handgun
handle
hanger
hook
hose
instrument
iron
ironing board
key
knife
ladder
lantern
mallet
measuring stick
nail
needle
pail
pin
pipe
pistol
pliers
plough
plug
rake
rifle
ruler
saw
scissors
screw
screwdriver
shotgun
shovel
spade
switch
tape measure
thermometer
tool
tube
wheel
Machines
appliance
calculator
clothes washer
computer
crane
engine
machine
motor
record player
scales
sewing machine
stereo
tape recorder
toaster
typewriter
video recorder
washer
washing machine
word processor
Building materials
board
cement
concrete
glass
log
lumber
material
metal
plastic
raw material
steel
stick
stone
wood

CHEMICAL & WASTE PRODUCTS
Chemical products
adhesive
chemical product
crystal
detergent
dye
fuel
gas
gas
gasoline
glue
medication

medicine
paint
paste
petrol (UK)
pill
plastic
poison
salt
soap
tablet
toothpaste

Waste products
ashes
dust
garbage
nuclear fallout
pollution
powder
rubbish
trash
waste

ENERGY
atom
battery
blow up (to)
burst (to)
coal
electric
electric cord
electric wire
electrical
electricity
electromagnetic radiation
energy
explode (to)
explosive
fuel
gas
gas
gasoline
heat
heat (to)
log
lubricant
nuclear energy
nuclear radiation
nucleus
oil
petrol (UK)
plug
power
stick
sun

HOW WE VIEW THE WORLD

OUR SENSES

Sight
alert
attention
blind
bright
clear
dark
eye
eye glasses
glasses
look (to)
mark
picture
read (to)
search (to)
see (to)
spot
transparent
visually impaired
watch (to)
watchful

Hearing
deaf
ear
ear mould
earphones
hear (to)
hearing aid
hearing impaired
listen (to)
loud
noisy
quiet
quietly
silence
silent
sound
sound (to)

Smell
fragrance
nose
odour
perfume
smell
smell (to)
smell bad (to)
stink (to)

Taste
acid
appetizing
bitter
delicious
fresh
hot
mouth
nose
raw
rich
salty
sharp
sour
spicey
sweet
taste
taste (to)
tasty
uncooked

Touch
catch (to)
Classification
finger
firm
hand
hard
hit (to)
remove (to)
rub (to)
sharp
smooth
soft
splash (to)
stroke (to)
take away (to)
throw (to)
thumb
touch (to)

CLASSIFICATION

Colour
black
blue
brown
colour
gray
green
indigo
orange
pink
purple
red
violet
white
yellow

Likeness and difference
another
compare (to)
contrast (to)
different
equal
equal (to)
fewer
fewest
least
less
like
looks similar
maximum
more
most
opposite meaning
opposite of
other
same
same sound
similar
similar looking
similar sound
sounds like

Measurement
calendar
clock
empty
full
infinite
length
limitation
limitless
limits
long
measure (to)
measurement
measuring stick
ruler
scales
short
tape measure
temperature
thermometer
time
timepiece
weigh (to)
weight

Numbers
decimal point
eight
final
first
five
four
last
next
nine
number
one
preceding
primary
second
seven
six
three
two
zero

Using numbers
add (to)

addition
also
and
arithmetic
calculate (to)
calculator
count (to)
divide (to)
division
equal
gain
gain (to)
loss
math
mathematics
minus
multiplication
multiply (to)
no
plus
problem
same
solve (to)
subtract (to)
subtraction
take away (to)
without

Quantity
all
all gone
alone
any
both
each
enough
every
everything
example
few
fewer
fewest
group of
how many ?
how much ?
just
least
less
little
many
maximum
more
most
much
much/many
multitude
none
nothing
only
pair
part
percent
piece
portion
quantity
sample
several
solitary
some
too many
too much
total
unit
very
whole

Other mathematical symbols
angle
parallel
perpendicular
right angle

Size and weight
big
Classification
decrease (to)
deep
enlarge (to)
fat
heavy
high
increase (to)
large
limitation
limits
little
long
longer
longest
low
measure (to)
measuring stick
narrow
reduce (to)
ruler
scales
shallow
short
short
slim
small
tall
tape measure
thick
thin
weigh (to)
weight
weight (a)
wide

Shape
arrow (bent)
block
box
brick (UK)
can
circle
circular
cone
crescent
crust
cube
curl
curve
curved line
cylinder
diamond
disc
disk
dot
enclosure
flat
form
line
linear
linear thing
object
open
opening
oval
pyramid
rectangle
rectangular
round
shape
shell
solid thing
space
spiral
square
square
straight
stripe
structure
thing
triangle
triangular

Time
abrupt
after
again
ago
always
anytime
at last
before
behind
current
during
early
ever
ever
final
finally
first
forever
frequent
frequently
future
in front of
infinite
interval
last
late
limitation
limited time
limitless
limits
never
new
next
now
often
old
once
past
period
preceding
present
primary
prior to
recent
recently
sometime
sometimes
soon
sudden
suddenly
then (future)
then (past)
till
time
to
until
usual
usually
when
when ?
while

Periods of time
century
day
decade
hour
minute
month
second
week

year
Days and nights
afternoon
evening
last night
morning
morning (early)
night
today
tomorrow
tomorrow night
tonight
yesterday
The week
Friday
last week
Monday
next week
Saturday
Sunday
this week
Thursday
Tuesday
Wednesday
weekend
Months
April
August
December
February
January
July
June
March
May
November
October
September
Hebrew months
Adar
Av
Cheshvan
Elul
Iyar
Kislev
Nissan
Shvat
Sivan
Tamuz
Tevet
Tishrai
Years
last year
next year
this year
Seasons
autumn
fall
spring
summer
winter
Related symbols
appointment
break
calendar
clock
emergency
rest period
schedule
timepiece
timetable
turn
watch
wristwatch
Place and direction
Place
above
across
after
almost
anyplace
anywhere
area
around
at
base
before
behind
below
between
beyond
bottom
centre
close
distant
edge
exterior
external
far
here
in
in front of
inferior
inside
internal
interior
limitation
limits
location
middle
near
nearly
no place
nowhere
on
out
outside
over
past
place
pointer
position
prior to
relation (con)
relation (pro)
side
someplace
somewhere
space
superior
there
together
top
under
where
where ?
Direction
absorb (to)
advance (to)
approach
approach (to)
arrival
arrow (bent)
ascend (to)
at a distance
away
back
back and forth
back up (to)
backward
begin (to)
beginning
come (to)
come back (to)
crash
crash (to)
cross (to)
depart (to)
departure
descend (to)
direction
down
downward
downward and backward
downward and forward
east
eastern
encounter (to)
end
enter (to)
exit
exit (downwards)
exit (to)
fall (to)
forward
from
go (to)
go down (to)
insert (to)
into
leave (to)
left
lift (to)
meet (to)
north
northern
off
out of
penetrate (to)
raise (to)
return
return (to)
reverse (to)
right
rise (to)
south
southern
start
start (to)
stop
till
to
to and fro
toward
towards
until
up
up and down
upward
upward and backward
upward and forward
west
western

LIVING TOGETHER

COMMUNICATION
Language
alphabet
clause
language
letters
phrase
sentence
word
Communicating ideas
advice
advise (to)
agree (to)
agreement
answer
answer (to)

apologize (to)
argue (to)
argument
ask (to)
call (to)
communicate (to)
communication
compare (to)
contrast (to)
conversation
converse (to)
counsel
counsel (to)
debate
debate (to)
describe (to)
discuss (to)
discussion
dispute
dispute (to)
exchange (to)
explain (to)
generalization
inquire (to)
joke (to)
meaning
nonsense
object (to)
opinion
pledge (to)
point of view
pray (to)
prayer
problem
promise (to)
proposal
propose (to)
protest (to)
quarrel
quarrel (to)
question
question (to)
recommend (to)
recommendation
regret (to express)
reply
reply (to)
request (to)
say (to)
scream (to)
secret
sense
shout (to)
significance
solve (to)
speak (to)
substitute (to)
suggest (to)
suggestion
talk (to)
tell (to)
translate (to)
whisper (to)
yell (to)

Communicating with Blissymbolics

Blissymbol
Blissymbol part
Blissymbolics
computer
indicate (to)
point (to)
symbol board
symbol chart
symbol display

Social interaction

attention
congratulations
dear
farewell
goodbye
great experience (Hebrew)
greetings
hello
it's clear (Hebrew)
let's
mazel tov (Hebrew)
no!
nonsense!
pardon ?
please
see you again
shalom (Hebrew)
sorry
thank you
thanks
that's too bad (Hebrew)
ugh!
welcome
wow!
yes!
you're welcome
yuk!

Writing & writing equipment

blackboard
card
chalkboard
computer
copy
copy (to)
dear
directions
document
duplicate
duplicate (to)
instructions
inventory
label
letter
list
mail
map
metaphor
name
notebook
package
page
paper
parcel
pen
pencil
poem
poetry
post
postcard
recipe
regulation
repeat (to)
report
reproduce (to)
rhyme
rule
schedule
signature
signature stamp
stamp
story
tale
term
timetable
title
typewriter
word processor
workbook
write (to)
writing board
writing book
written record

Published writing

advertisement
book
bulletin
journal
magazine
news
newsletter
newspaper
sign

Story books

animal
beast
boat
cabin
castle
cave
cottage
dinosaur
excitement
family
farm
ghost
hut
king
make believe (to)
make-believe
monster
ocean
palace
phantom
pretend (to)
prince
princess
queen
report
royal
sea
ship
story
tale
wand

The arts

Art

art
art gallery
art object
brush
coloured pencil
crayon
draw (to)
dye
dye (to)
gallery
marker
museum
paint
paint (to)
painter
pen
pencil
photograph
picture
poem
poetry
sketch (to)
work of art
write (to)

Music

band
bell
cassette
choir
chorus
compact disc

composer
concert hall
conductor
horn
melody
music
musical group
musical instrument
musical note
musician
orchestra
record
sing (to)
singer
song
tune
video
whistle (to)

Mass media

cinema
disco
film
movie
movie theatre
radio
record player
showplace
stereo
tape recorder
television
theatre
video recorder

TRANSPORTATION

Sidewalk and road vehicles

ambulance
automobile
baby carriage
bicycle
buggy
bus
cab
camper
car
caravan
carriage
carriage
cart
cart
coach
crane
dump truck
electric wheelchair
fire engine
fire truck
lorry (UK)
mini-bus
motor vehicle
pram
railway car
rickshaw
stroller
taxi
tip-up lorry (UK)
trailer
tricycle
truck
truck (UK)
van
vehicle
wagon
wheel
wheelchair

Other forms of transportation

aeroplane (UK)
airplane
boat
helicopter
jet
jet plane
military plane
plane
rocket
sail
sailboat
sailing boat (UK)
ship
spaceship
tank
tractor
train

Places where vehicles travel

bridge
earth
ground
lake
land
ocean
overpass
pond
river
road
sea
sky
street

Related symbols

accident
airplane landing
airplane take-off
airport
baggage
bassinet
battery
bring (to)
bus bay
bus driver
cab driver
capsule (Aus)
carry (to)
carry cot (UK)
chauffeur
crash (airplane)
crash (automobile)
danger
drag (to)
drive (to)
driver
gas
gasoline
journey
journey (to)
landing
luggage
move (to)
pass
petrol (UK)
pier
pilot
platform (train)
pull (to)
push (to)
ride (to)
schedule
send (to)
shove (to)
suitcase
take-off
taxi driver
ticket
timetable
tire
tow (to)
traffic
transport (to)
travel
travel (to)
trip
tug (to)
tyre (UK)
voyage

OCCUPATIONS

Primary industries & manufacturing

aeroplane (UK)
airplane
automobile
barn
boat
building
bus
bush
car
cement
chemical product
cloth
clothes
clothing
coach
coal
computer
concrete
dig (to)
dwelling
electricity
energy
fabric
factory
farm
farmer
fish
fishing
food
forest
fruit
fuel
garment
gas
gasoline
grow (to)
harvest
house
leather
lorry (UK)
lubricant
lumber
make (to)
maker
manufacture (to)
manufacturer
material
meat
metal
milk
mine
motor vehicle
net
nuclear energy
oil
petrol (UK)
plane
plant
plastic
plough
power
produce (to)
producer
raise (to)
raw material
residence
shed (Aus)
ship
shovel
spade

stable
steel
stone
sugar
sweetener
tobacco
tractor
train
tree
truck
vegetable (below ground)
water
wood
woods
wool
worker

Commerce
boss
business
clerk
commerce
contents
employment
goods
job
manager
office
secretary
succeed (to)
success
supervisor
trade
unemployment
work
work (to)
worker

Money
account
borrow (to)
buy (to)
calculator
cash
cent
cheap
coin
cost
dollar
earn (to)
exchange (to)
expensive
inexpensive
lend (to)
loan (to)
money
pay
pay (to)
poor
pound sterling
price
purchase (to)
rich
salary
sell (to)
shekel
trade (to)
wages
wealthy
yen

Places for business
bank
bar
barber shop
beauty shop
cafe
cafeteria
coffee house
factory
food store
garage
grocery store
hotel
mall
motel
plant
plaza
pub
restaurant
shop
shopping centre
store
supermarket

Government
Canada
citizen
city
country
county
Denmark
director
Finland
flag
govern (to)
government
guide
Holland
Iceland
international
Ireland
Israel
jail
king
leader
Netherlands (The)
police officer
prison
province
public
public (the)
queen
region
rule (to)
state
Sweden
United Kingdom
village

The military
army
base camp
blow up (to)
burst (to)
cannon
citizen guard duty
explode (to)
explosive
firearm
guard duty
gun
handgun
helicopter
military plane
military reserve duty
navy
paratrooper
peace
pistol
rifle
rocket
shotgun
soldier
spaceship
tank
unidentified object
war
warrior

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Health and medical care
ambulance
appointment
baby clinic
clinic
clinic
dentist
doctor
health
healthy
hospital
medical
medical insurance
medically
nurse
physician
powerful
strong
therapist
well

Handicaps and illness
accident
ache
acne
attack (of illness)
belch (to)
bleed (to)
blemish
blind
burp (to)
cavity
choke (to)
community Services
cough (to)
cramp
deaf
disability
disease
emergency
gag (to)
handicap
hearing impaired
hurt (to)
ill
illness
injure (to)
mentally retarded
mentally handicapped
nonspeaking
nonvocal
pain
pain (to feel)
painful. painfully
physically disabled
physically handicapped
pimple
rabies
sick
sickness
sneeze (to)
sore
spasm
speech impaired
suffer (to)
suffering
temperature
throw up (to)
visually impaired
vomit (to)
wound

Aids for handicaps & illness
aid (an)
artificial respiration (to give)
artificial respiration
bandage
brace
calliper
cane
cast
crutches
device
dressing
ear mould
electric wheelchair
eye glasses
glasses
hearing aid
hoist
hypodermic needle
injection
inoculation
lift
medication
medicine
operation
pill
resuscitate (to)
shot
splint
stander
stick
syringe
tablet
thermometer
walker
walking stick
wheelchair

Education
class
classroom
education
instruct (to)
instruction
instructor
learn (to)
library
library
pupil
school
student
teach (to)
teacher
teaching
university

Equipment for teaching and learning
book
bulletin
calculator
camera
cassette
coloured pencil
computer
crayon
document
earphones
film
journal
magazine
map
marker
movie
musical instrument
newsletter
newspaper
notebook
page
paper
pen
pencil
photograph
picture
projector
radio
tape recorder
television
typewriter
video
video recorder
word processor
workbook
writing book

Subject matter
alphabet
arithmetic
art
current events
letters
math
mathematics
music
number
poem
poetry
religion
science

Related actions
answer (to)
ask (to)
count (to)
draw (to)
inquire (to)
question (to)
read (to)
reason (to)
recall (to)
remember (to)
reply (to)
sketch (to)
solve (to)
think (to)
write (to)

Religion
angel
bad
belief
believe (to)
candle
church
day of rest
Fast Day
God
good
immoral
minister
moral
mosque
pray (to)
prayer
prayer book
priest
rabbi
religion
religious
right
Sabbath
Siddur (Hebrew)
sin
sin (to)
sinner
temple
truth
wrong

Christianity
Christ
Christian
Christmas
commandments
cross
Easter
eternal life
Good Friday
immortality
Jesus Christ

Hindu gods
Brahma
Durga
Ganesh
Kali
Lakshmi
Shiva
Vishnu

Judaism
bracha
Chumash
commandments
day of rest
dreidel
etrog
evening of Sabbath
Haggadah
hamentasch
havdalah
Jewish
Kabbalat Shabbat
kiddush
kipa
lulav
matzo
megillah
menorah
mezuzah
Sabbath
schach
shofar
skull cap
small prayer
soufganiya
spice box
Star of David
sukkah
synagogue
tallit
tfillim
top
Torah
yarmulke

Islam
Moslem
Muslim

Community institutions & helpers
adviser
aide
assistant
baby sitter
bank
barber
barber shop
beauty shop
boss
bus driver
cab driver
chauffeur
church
clerk
clinic
counsellor
day care

day care centre
dentist
doctor
driver
fire fighter
fireman
hairdresser
helper
hospital
instructor
jail
letter carrier
library
mailman
mall
manager
minister
mosque
nurse
office
pastor
physician
plaza
police officer
post office
postman
priest
prison
pupil
rabbi
school
secretary
secretary
shop
shopping centre
social worker
store
student
supervisor
taxi driver
teacher
temple
therapist
volunteer

RECREATION

Holidays & special occasions
anniversary
birthday
day of rest
Halloween
holiday
midsummer
New Year's Day
Remembrance Day
Sabbath
Thanksgiving
Valentine's Day

Christian holidays
Christmas
Easter
Good Friday

Jewish holidays and special occasions
Chanukah
evening of Sabbath
havdalah
Independence Day
Jerusalem Day
Lag B'Omer
Passover
Purim
Rosh Hashana
Shavuot
Simchat Torah
Sukkot
Tisha B'Av
Tu B'Shvat
yahrzeit
Yom Kippur

Related symbols
festival
game
gift
offering
party
present
treat
valentine

Pastimes and crafts

Pastimes
book
brush
bulletin
camera
cards
cassette
coin
coloured pencil
compact disc
computer
cook (to)
costume
crayon
disguise
disguise (to)
draw (to)
dress up (to)
dye
dye (to)
earphones
false face
festival
film
film
flower
game
garden
grow (to)
hobby
jigsaw puzzle
joke (to)
journal
magazine
marker
mask
movie
music
newsletter
newspaper
paint
paint (to)
party
pastime
pen
pencil
photograph
picture
plant
playing cards
poem
poetry
prepare food (to)
projector
puzzle (picture)
radio
raise (to)
read (to)
recipe
record
record player
report
sing (to)
sketch (to)
song
stamp
stereo
story
tale
tape recorder
television
vegetable (below ground)
video
video recorder
whistle (to)
write (to)

Crafts
attach (to)
craft
crochet (to)
cut (to)
fasten (to)
glue (to)
handmade object
heat (to)
join (to)
knit (to)
make (to)
paste (to)
sew (to)
stick (to)
weave (to)

Tools and materials for crafts
adhesive
battery
brush
cable
card
cloth
document
dye
electric cord
electric wire
fabric
gavel
glass
glue
hammer
instrument
knife
leather
lumber
mallet
material
measuring stick
metal
nail
needle
net
page
paint
paper
paste
pen
pencil
pin
plastic
pliers
point
ruler
saw
scissors
screw
screwdriver
sewing machine
stone
tape measure
tool
wire
wood

Play and recreation
barbeque (Aus)
bonfire
campfire
conceal (to)
hide (to)
match
park
play
play (to)
play room
playground
rec-reation room
family room
recreation
table game
Playing outside
bicycle
carousel
cart
hop (to)
jump (to)
jump rope
merry-go-round
rock (to)
roller skate (to)
roller skates
sand
sandbox
sandpit
sandtray
seesaw
skateboard
skipping rope
slide
sway (to)
swing
swing (to)
teeter-totter
tiptoe (to)
tricycle
truck (UK)
wagon
Playing in the snow
boot(s)
glove(s)
ice skates
mitt(s)
mitten(s)
ski boot(s)
ski poles
skis
sled
sledge (UK)
sleigh
snow
snow (to)
snowball
snowman
snowshoe
snowsuit
toboggan
winter clothing
Playing in water
bank
bathing suit
beach
boat
bucket
coast
float (to)
fluid
hole
lake
liquid
ocean
paddling pool (UK)
pail
pond
pool
sailing boat (UK)
sailboat
sea
ship
shore
shovel
sieve
spade
splash (to)
swim (to)
swimming pool
swimsuit
wading pool
water
Toys and games
ball
balloon
block
brick (UK)
cards
compete (to)
doll
dreidel
game
kite
lose (to)
playing cards
puppet
race (to)
rocking horse
score
stuffed animal
table game
top
toy
toy animal
win (to)
Sports
badminton
baseball
basketball
beach tennis
bowling
bowls
boxing
croquet
field hockey
fish (to)
fishing
football
golf
handball
hockey (UK)
home run
ice hockey
judo
ping-pong
play football (to)
rugby
soccer
sport
table tennis
tennis
wrestling
Sports equipment
ball
bat
flag
glove (sports)
goal
gym mat
helmet
ice skates
mitt (sports)
racquet
roller skate (to)
roller skates
ski boot(s)
ski poles
skis
sled
sledge (UK)
sleigh
sport stick
toboggan
trampoline
Related symbols
catch (to)
climb (to)
compete (to)
competi-tion
contest
court
directions
exercise (to)
field
game
gym
gymnasium
hit (to)
instructions
jump (to)
kick (to)
lose (to)
pass
practise (to)
race
race (to)
Recreation
regulation
rule
run (to)
schedule
swim (to)
swimming pool
team
throw (to)
ticket
timetable
win (to)
Outings
appointment
assembly
camp
club
conference
date
drive (to)
event
excursion
festival
gathering
happening
holiday
home
hotel
journey
meeting
motel
occasion
outing
ride (to)
summer day camp
travel
travel (to)
trip
vacation
visit (to)
voyage
Camp and cottage
barbeque (Aus)
boat
bonfire
cabin
camp

camper
campfire
caravan
cottage
fishing
hut
log
match
sail
sailboat
sailing boat (UK)
ship
stick
tent
trailer
yacht (Aus)

Outdoor places to go

bank
barn
beach
bog
bush
cave
coast
cooler
country
countryside
farm
flask (UK)
forest
garden
harbour
hill
island
lake
marsh
mountain
ocean
park
picnic
pond
sea
shed (Aus)
shore
stable
swamp
thermos
valley
woods
zoo

Indoor places to go

art gallery
bar
cafe
cafeteria
cinema
coffee house
concert hall
disco
gallery
home
library
mall
movie theatre
museum
pass
plaza
pub
restaurant
shop
shopping centre
showplace
store
theatre
ticket

SYMBOLS FOR SENTENCE BUILDING

SYMBOLS WITH ENGLISH EQUIVALENTS

a
about
above
across
after
against
along with
also
although
an
and
any
anybody
anyone
anyplace
anything
anytime
anywhere
around
at
at a distance
away
back
back and forth
backward
because
before
behind
belongs to
below
beyond
but
by
by means of
concerning
down
downward
during
either
except
exit
exit
exterior
external
for (in exchange for)
for (the purpose of)
forward
from
general
if
in
inferior
in front of
in order to
in relation to
inside
interior
internal
into
minus
negative
neither
no
nor
not
of
off
on
opposed to
opposition
or
out
out of
outside
over
past
plus
positive
prior to
purpose
relation (con)
relation (pro)
so
so that
somebody
someone
someplace
something
sometime
sometimes
somewhere
specific
superior
that
the
therefore
these
this
those
through
till
to
to and fro
too
toward
towards
under
unless
until
up
up and down
upward
while
with (the help of)
without

RELATIVIZERS

how
relativizer
that
what
when
where
which
who
whom
whose

INTERROGATIVES

how ?
how many ?
how much ?
what ?
what kind ?
what thing ?
when ?
where ?
which ?
who ?
whom ?
whose ?
why ?

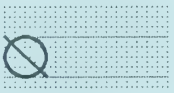
PUNCTUATION

colon
comma
decimal point
exclamation mark
period
question mark
semicolon

BLISSYMBOLICS
Three important symbols
Action (The)
evaluation
object
thing
value
Indicators
action indicator
active indicator
combine indicator
conditional indicator
description after the fact indicator
description before the fact indicator
description indicator
future action indicator
future conditional indicator
future passive conditional indicator
future passive indicator
passive conditional indicator
passive indicator
past action indicator
past conditional indicator
past passive conditional indicator
past passive indicator
plural indicator
thing indicator
thing/plural indicator
Special Blissymbols
belongs to
Blissymbol part
combine indicator
comma
command
dot
generalization
group of
intensity
looks similar
many
metaphor
minus
more
most
much
negative
no
not
of
opposite meaning
opposite of
part of
pointer
question
rhyme
same sound
similar looking
similar sound
sounds like
without

The World We Live In

Space



earth
(pictograph)



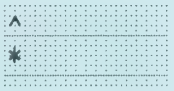
sun
(pictograph)



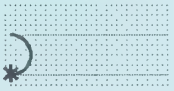
shine (to)
(sun + action indicator)



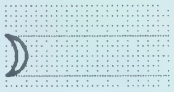
star
(pictograph)



twinkle (to), shine (to), sparkle (to),
(star + action ind.)



comet
(pictograph)



moon
(pictograph)



rocket, spaceship
(pictograph of a rocket + upward)



astronaut, cosmonaut
(person + rocket)

The World

EARTH, AIR, FIRE AND WATER



creation, nature
(equal-sided triangle)



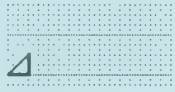
sky
(horizontal line, on the skyline)



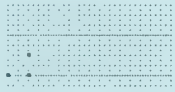
earth, ground, land
(horizontal line, on the earthline)



mud
(earth [extended line] + water)



stone, rock
(mountain [half-sized])



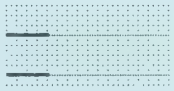
dust, powder
(three powder-like dots)



sand
(powder + rock)



coal
(fuel + plant)



world
(sky + earth)



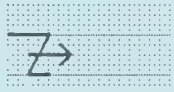
environment
(earth + water + sky)



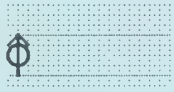
pollution
(waste + environment)



air, atmosphere
(sky + nose)



wind
(air + forward)



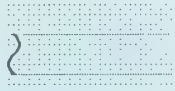
gas
(up + pictograph of a bubble)



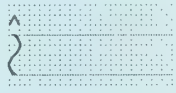
bubble
(gas + pointer, to bubble)



light
(sun + eye)



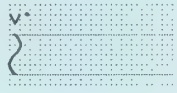
fire
(symbol suggests a flame)



burn (to)
(fire + action indicator)



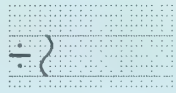
burning
(fire + description indicator)



burned, burnt
(fire + description after the fact indicator)



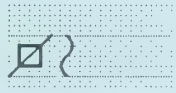
flammable, inflammable
(fire + desc. before the fact indicator)



flame
(part of + fire)



smoke
(cloud + fire)



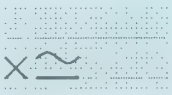
ashes
(waste + fire)

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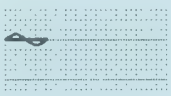
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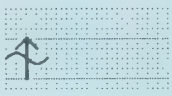
water, fluid, liquid
(symbol looks like a wave)



flood
(much + water + land)



cloud
(water + sky)

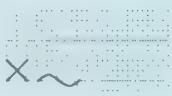


steam
(water + up)

GEOGRAPHICAL FEATURES



river
(water + forward)



lake, pond
(much + water)



ocean, sea
(much + much + water)



harbour
(protection + water + boat)



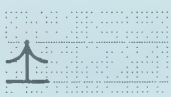
swamp, bog, marsh
(water + earth [half-sized])



beach, bank, coast, shore
(earth + water)



island
(water + earth + water)



countryside, country
(tree + earth)



scenery, landscape
(generalization + countryside)



grove
(group of + tree)



forest, bush, woods
(many + many + tree)



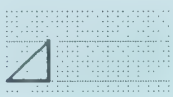
orchard
(grove + fruit)



horizon
(early morning + pointer, to horizon)



map
(paper + earth)



mountain
(pictograph)



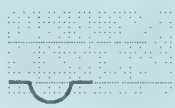
hill
(mountain + little)



volcano
(mountain + fire)



valley
(mountain + earth + mountain + pointer)



hole
(earth [half-sized] + container + earth [half-sized])



cave
(hole + mountain)

The World

COMPASS POINTS



west
(sun + pointer, to west)



western
(west + description indicator)



north
(sun + pointer, to north)



northern
(north + description indicator)



east
(sun + pointer, to east)



eastern
(east + description indicator)



south
(sun + pointer, to south)

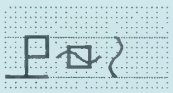


southern
(south + description indicator)

COUNTRIES



Canada
(country + maple leaf)



Iceland
(country + ice + fire)



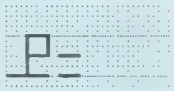
Israel
(country + Star of David)



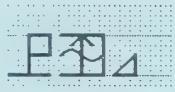
Denmark
(country + three parallel water symbols)



Sweden
(country + 3 + crown)



Netherlands (The), Holland
(country + low)



Finland
(country + sauna)



Ireland
(country + shamrock)



United Kingdom
(country + pictograph of Union Jack)

Blissymbols to Represent Individual Countries

The reader will note that there is a small number of Blissymbols representing individual countries. BCI International Affiliates continue to respond to the invitation to suggest Blissymbols to represent their respective countries for inclusion in the published BCI Standard Vocabulary.

Weather



weather
(sun + rain)



sun
(pictograph)



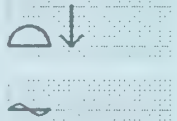
shine (to)
(sun + action indicator)



sunny
(sun + description indicator)



sunrise
(half sun + up)



sunset
(half sun + down)



cloud
(water + sky)



cloudy
(cloud + description indicator)



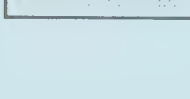
fog
(sky + water)



rain
(water + down)



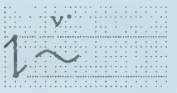
rain (to)
(rain + action indicator)



rainy
(rain + description indicator)



wet, damp
(water + description after the fact indicator)



dry
(opposite meaning + wet + desc. after the fact indicator)



snow
(water + combination of down *and* star)



snow (to)
(snow + action indicator)



snowflake
(snow + pointer, to star-shaped flake)



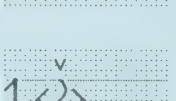
ice
(water + thing)



hail
(ice + down)



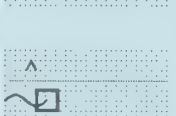
cold
(ice + two pointers + description indicator)



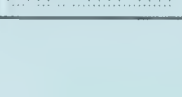
cool, chilly
(cold + little + description indicator)



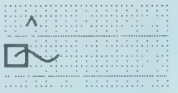
cold
(opposite meaning + hot + description indicator)



cool, chilly
(opposite meaning + warm + desc. indicator)



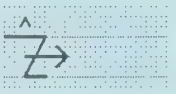
freeze (to)
(water + thing + action indicator)



thaw (to), melt (to)
(thing + water + action indicator)



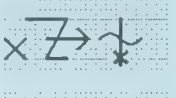
wind
(air + forward)



blow (to)
(wind + action indicator)



storm
(much + wind)



snowstorm
(storm + snow)



lightning
(sky + electricity)



thunder
(ear + lightning)



heat
(fire + two pointers)



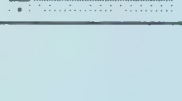
hot
(heat + description indicator)



warm
(hot + + description indicator)



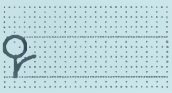
temperature
(symbol suggests a thermometer)



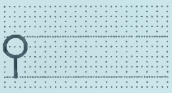
thermometer
(temperature + thing indicator)

Living Things

Plants



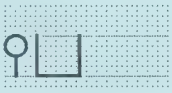
plant
(pictograph)



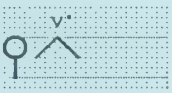
flower
(pictograph)



stem, stalk
(flower + pointer, to stem)



flower (wild)
(flower + open)



flower (protected)
(flower + protection + desc. after the fact ind.)



bulb
(pictograph + earth)



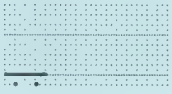
flower (from bulb)
(flower + bulb + pointer, to flower)



bulb (flower)
(bulb + flower + pointer, to bulb)



roots
(pictograph: two roots below the ground)



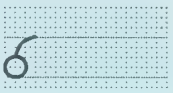
seed
(earth + two dots below, to represent seeds)



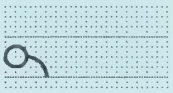
grow (to)
(flower + up + action indicator)



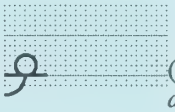
raise (to), grow (to)
(to cause + to grow + action indicator)



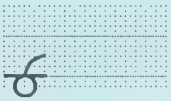
fruit
(pictograph)



berry
(pictograph)



vegetable (above ground)
(combination of earth *and* fruit [upside down])



vegetable (below ground)
(combination of earth *and* fruit)



vegetable (bulb), onion
(comb. of veg. (below ground) *and* bulb)



vegetable (cylinder-shaped)
(comb. of veg. (above ground) *and* cylinder)



vegetable (large-leafed), turnip
(comb. of veg. (below ground) *and* leaf)



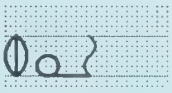
vegetable (wedge-shaped), carrot
(comb.of veg. (below ground) *and* picto.)



lettuce, leafy vegetable
(earth + outline of leaves)



leaf
(pictograph)



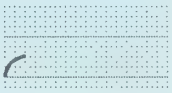
tobacco
(leaf + to smoke)



maple leaf
(pictograph)



shamrock
(pictograph)



grass
(pictograph)



lawn, meadow
(grass + earth)



grain, cereal
(pictograph)



rice
(grain + water)



tree
(pictograph)



branch
(tree + pointer, to branch)



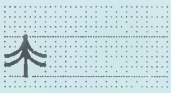
trunk
(tree + pointer, to trunk)



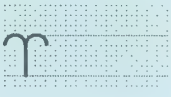
stick, log
(linear thing + tree + thing indicator)



bush, shrub
(pictograph)



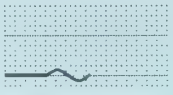
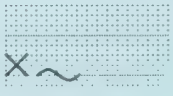
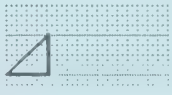
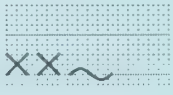
evergreen tree
(pictograph)



palm tree
(pictograph)

Plants

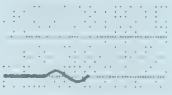
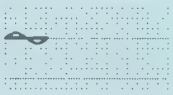
WHERE PLANTS GROW

 **field** (grain + earth)	 **countryside** (tree + earth)	 **beach, bank, coast, shore** (earth + water)
 **garden** (flower + earth)	 **orchard** (grove + fruit)	 **swamp, bog, marsh** (water + earth [half-sized])
 **park** (flower + earth + tree)	 **forest, bush, woods** (many + many + tree)	 **lake, pond)** (much + water)
 **greenhouse, glasshouse (UK), hothouse** (building + plant)	 **mountain** (pictograph)	 **ocean, sea** (much + much + water)

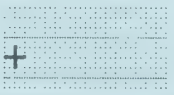
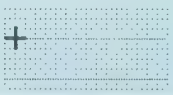
Position of a Symbol

The *position* of a symbol in relation to the earthline and skyline is a factor in determining meaning.

Usually the position of the symbol contributes to its meaning.

beach, shore	**water, liquid**	**cloud**
 (earth + water)	 (the symbol looks like a wave, suggesting water or liquid)	 (water + sky)

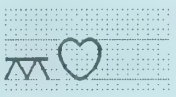
In some instances the positioning of the symbol is arbitrary.

belongs to, of (possessive)	**and, plus, also**	**with (the help of)**
		

Animals



animal, beast
(pictograph: creature with four legs)



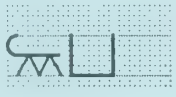
pet
(animal + feeling)



dog, animal (canine)
(animal + pictograph of tail)



puppy
(dog + baby)



wolf, dingo (Aus), wild dog
(dog + open)



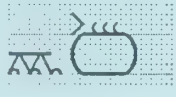
fox
(canine + little + open)



cat, animal (feline)
(animal + pictograph of claws)



kitten
(cat + baby)



lion
(feline + hair + pointer, to mane)



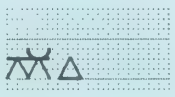
tiger
(feline + stripe)



leopard
(feline + spot)



animal (bovine), animal (ovine)
(animal + pictograph of horns)



cow
(bovine + female)



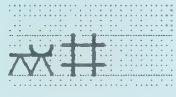
calf
(bovine + baby)



bull
(bovine + male)



bull (fighting)
(bovine + to fight)



sheep
(ovine + cloth)



ox
(bovine + work)



buffalo, bison
(bovine + hump)



deer, animal (cervine)
(animal + pictograph of horns, raised)



reindeer, caribou
(cervine + north)



moose, elk
(cervine + big)



horse
(animal + pictograph of horse's head and neck)



donkey, mule
(horse + work)



zebra
(horse + stripe)



dromedary
(animal + pictograph of head, neck and one hump)



camel
(animal + pictograph of head, neck and two humps)



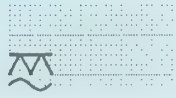
giraffe
(animal + pictograph of head and long neck)



rhinoceros
(animal + pictograph of head and horn)



hippopotamus
(combination of water animal *and* horse)



animal (water)
(animal + water)



alligator, crocodile
(comb. of water animal *and* reptile + teeth)



beaver
(comb. of water animal *and* rodent + pictograph of tail)



muskrat
(combination of water animal *and* rodent)

Animals



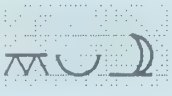
amphibian
(animal + water + earth)



frog, toad
(amphibian + to jump)



kangaroo, animal (marsupial)
(animal + pouch)



opossum, possum
(marsupial + night)



koala
(marsupial + tree)



rat, animal (rodent)
(animal + teeth)



mouse
(rodent + little)



gerbil, guinea pig, hamster
(combination of rodent *and* pet)



rabbit, hare
(rodent + ear)



squirrel
(rodent + pictograph of tail)



gopher, ground hog
(rodent + hole)



chipmunk
(rodent + stripe)



porcupine
(rodent + pictograph of spines)



hedgehog
(animal + pictograph of spines)



bear
(animal + pictograph of a bear's head)



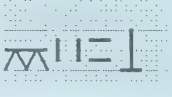
raccoon
(animal + pictograph of mask)



skunk
(animal + to smell bad)



elephant
(animal + nose)



monkey, ape, gorilla, primate
(animal + similar to + person)



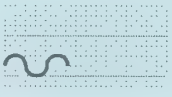
pig
(animal + pictograph of curly tail)



bat
(animal + wings)



turtle, tortoise
(animal + pictograph of head and protective shell)



snake
(pictograph)



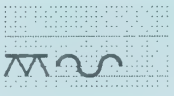
snake (water)
(snake + water)



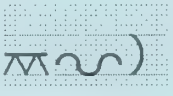
worm
(earth + snake)



caterpillar
(worm + butterfly)



lizard, reptile, animal (snake-like)
(animal + snake)



dinosaur
(reptile + past)



chameleon
(lizard + to change)



dolphin, porpoise
(pictograph)



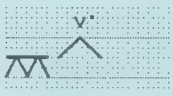
whale
(dolphin + big)



animal (wild)
(animal + open)



animal (domestic)
(animal + protection)



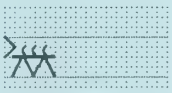
animal (protected)
(animal + protection + desc. after the fact ind.)



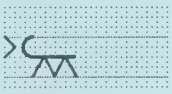
creature
(life +thing indicator)

Animals

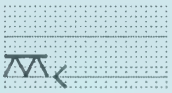
RELATED SYMBOLS



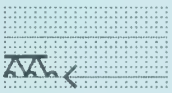
fur, coat, hair (animal + hair + pointer, to hair)



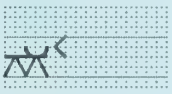
tail (canine + pointer, to tail)



paw, hoof (animal + pointer, to paw or hoof)



claw (animal) (feline + pointer, to claw)



horn(s), antler(s) (bovine/ovine + pointer, to horns)



animal skin, hide, pelt (protection + animal)



leather (material + animal skin)



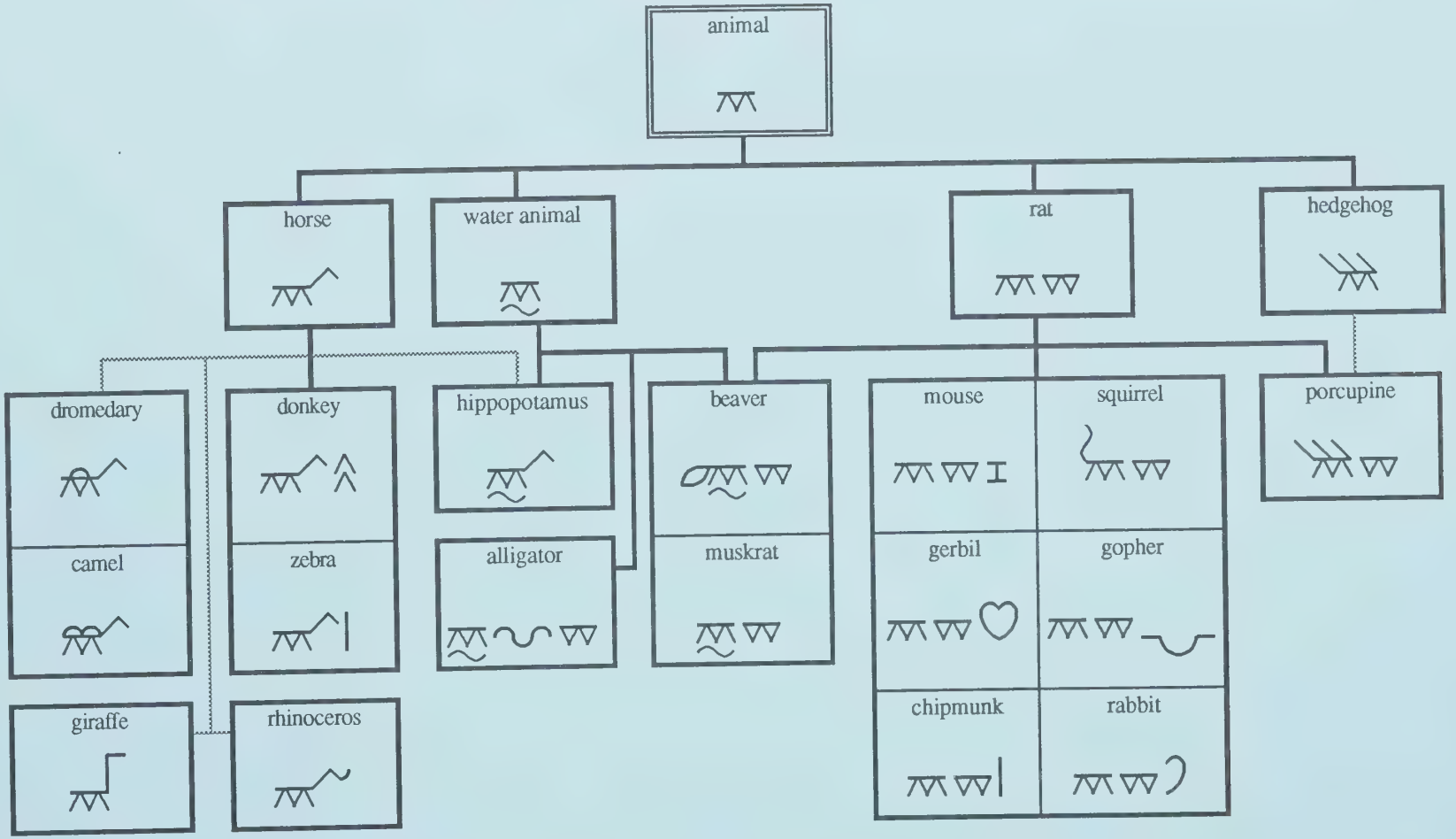
wool (material + sheep)

Blissymbols for Classifying

Instructors can use Blissymbols to improve students' classification skills. For example, ask students to list animal symbols – e.g., **dog** , **horse** , under each of the following classifying symbols. Discuss how many belong in more than one group.

domestic animal	wild animal	pet	zoo	farm
				
(animal + protection: animal that is cared for in a domestic setting)	(animal + open: untamed animal that lives in the open)	(animal + feeling: animal for which one has feeling)	(park + animal)	(protection + field)

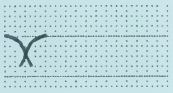
Chart Showing Relationships among Some Blissymbols for Animals



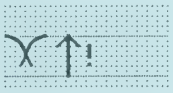
Note: The Blissymbols connected by the lighter lines indicate graphic relationships rather than biological relationships among animals.

Animals

BIRDS



bird
(pictograph)



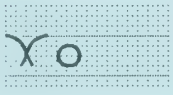
hawk, eagle
(bird + up + intensity)



peacock
(bird + fan)



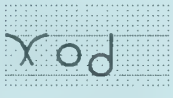
owl, night bird
(bird + night)



parrot, myna talking bird
(bird + to talk)



parakeet, budgie
(talking bird + little)



songbird, finch, thrush
(bird + song)



ostrich
(bird + to walk)



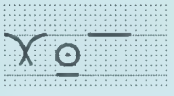
road runner
(bird + to walk + little)



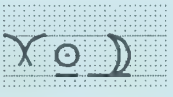
chicken, poultry
(bird + food)



turkey
(bird + food + big)



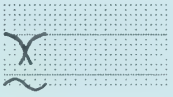
bluebird
(bird + blue)



blackbird, crow, raven
(bird + black)



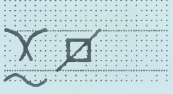
vulture
(bird + death)



duck, bird (water)
(bird + water)



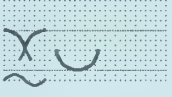
goose
(water bird + big)



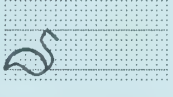
gull, sea gull
(water bird + waste)



penguin
(water bird + to walk)



pelican
(water bird + pouch)



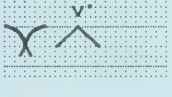
swan
(pictograph)



bird (wild)
(bird + open)



bird (domestic)
(bird + protection)



bird (protected)
(bird + protection + description after the fact indicator)

RELATED SYMBOLS



wings
(pictograph)



fly (to)
(wings + action indicator)



flying
(wings + description indicator)



feather
(part of + wings)



claw (bird)
(bird + pictograph of claws + pointer, to claw)

Animals

INSECTS



insect, bug
(pictograph)



insect (pest)
(insect + negative)



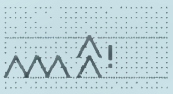
grasshopper
(insect + to jump)



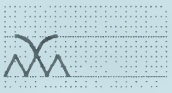
termite
(insect + tree + to destroy)



flea
(insect + to puncture + to jump)



ant
(insect + to work + intensity)



fly
(insect + to fly)



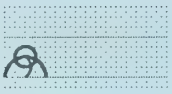
mosquito
(insect + to fly + to puncture)



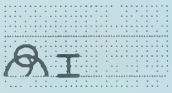
bee
(insect + wings + flower)



beetle
(insect + pictograph of wing cases [hard shell])



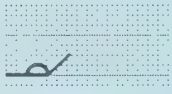
spider
(pictograph)



mite, tick
(spider + little)



scorpion
(spider + to puncture)



snail
(pictograph)



butterfly, moth
(pictograph)

FISH AND SEA CREATURES



fish
(pictograph)



goldfish, guppy, pet fish
(fish + feeling)



eel
(fish + snake)



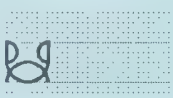
shark
(fish + teeth)



starfish
(fish + star)



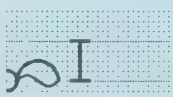
oyster, clam
(pictograph of shell + water)



lobster, crab, crayfish
(pictograph)



dolphin, porpoise
(pictograph)



whale
(dolphin + big)

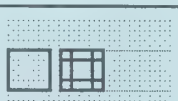
PLACES TO KEEP ANIMALS



park
(flower + earth + tree)



zoo
(park + animal)



cage
(enclosure + pictograph of a barred window)

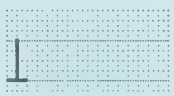


barn, stable, shed (Aus)
(building + animal)



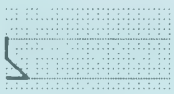
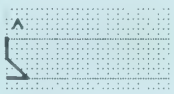
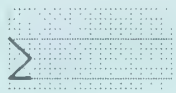
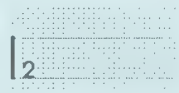
farm
(protection + field)

Human Beings

	 **person, human being, individual** (human being standing, feet out)	

Variations of the Person Symbol

The symbol person is adapted to create additional meanings. These variations drawn as *side views* of a person are used as the basis of related symbol meanings:

needy person, need  (person [modified], leaning, as if in need of support)	**(to) need**  (need + action indicator)	**standing person**  (person [modified], in standing position)	**back**  (standing person + pointer, to back)
person lying down  (person [modified], lying on his back)	**(to) lie down**  (person lying down + action indicator)	**sitting person**  (person [modified], in sitting position)	**(to) sit**  (sitting person + action indicator)
kneeling person  (person [modified], showing knees bent)	**(to) kneel**  (kneeling person + action indicator)	**weak person**  (person [modified], buckling at the knees as though weak)	**weak**  (weak person + description indicator)
sick person, illness  (person [modified], lying on his back with knees drawn up as if sick or in pain)	**sick, ill**  (illness + description indicator)	**person (self)**  (1 + person [modified]: referring to oneself as person number one)	**person (other)**  (person [modified] + 2: referring to a second person)

Human Beings

GENDER AND AGE DIFFERENCES



woman, female
(combination of person *and* creation [half-sized])



female, feminine
(woman + description indicator)



female
(woman [modified]: used only in compound symbols)



man, male
(combination of person *and* action)



male, masculine
(man + description indicator)



male
(man [modified]: used only in compound symbols)



gender, sex
(male + female)



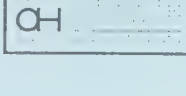
child, kid, youngster
(combination of flower *and* little)



girl
(combination of child *and* female)



boy, lad
(combination of child *and* male)



baby, infant
(child, turned on its side)



baby girl
(girl, turned on her side)



baby boy
(boy, turned on his side)



adult, grown-up
(combination of flower *and* big)



adult, mature
(adult + description indicator)



teenager, adolescent, young adult, youth
(combination of child *and* adult)

PRONOUNS



I, me, myself
(person + 1)



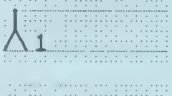
my, mine
(I + belongs to)



I, me, myself (f.)
(female + 1)



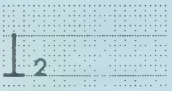
my, mine (f.)
(female + 1 + belongs to)



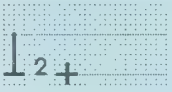
I, me, myself (m.)
(male + 1)



my, mine (m.)
(male + 1 + belongs to)



you, yourself (sing.)
(person + 2)



your, yours (sing.)
(you + belongs to)



you, yourself (f.sing.)
(female + 2)



your, yours (f.sing.)
(female + 2 + belongs to)



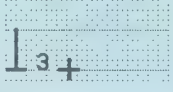
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your, yours (m.sing.)
(male + 2 + belongs to)



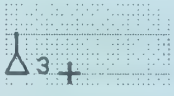
he or she; him or her
(person + 3)



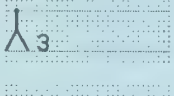
his or her; his or hers
(person + 3 + belongs to)



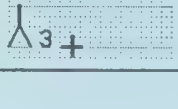
she, her, herself
(female + 3)



her, hers
(she + belongs to)



he, him, himself
(male + 3)



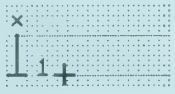
his
(he + belongs to)

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PRONOUNS



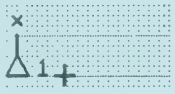
we, ourselves, us
(person + 1 + plural indicator)



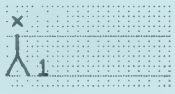
our, ours
(we + belongs to + plural indicator)



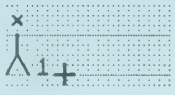
we, ourselves, us (f.)
(female + 1 + plural indicator)



our, ours (f.)
(female + 1 + belongs to + plural indicator)



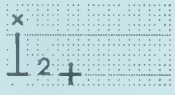
we, ourselves, us (m.)
(male + 1 + plural indicator)



our, ours (m.)
(male + 1 + belongs to + plural indicator)



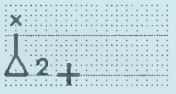
you, yourselves (pl.)
(person + 2 + plural indicator)



your, yours (pl.)
(you + belongs to + plural indicator)



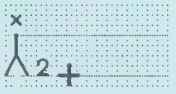
you, yourselves (f.pl.)
(female + 2 + plural indicator)



your, yours (f.pl.)
(female + 2 + belongs to + pl. ind.)



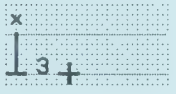
you, yourselves (m.pl.)
(male + 2 + plural indicator)



your, yours (m.pl.)
(male + 2 + belongs to + plural indicator)



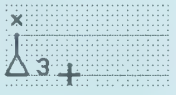
they, them, themselves
(person + 3 + plural indicator)



their, theirs
(they + belongs to + plural indicator)



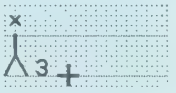
they, them, themselves (f.)
(female + 3 + plural indicator)



their, theirs (f.)
(female + 3 + belongs to + plural indicator)



they, them, themselves (m.)
(male + 3 + plural ind)



their, theirs (m.)
(male + 3 + belongs to + plural ind.)



it
(derived from the symbol for **small**)



its
(it + belongs to)



they, them, themselves
(it + plural indicator)



their, theirs
(its + plural indicator)



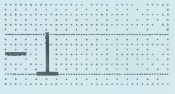
self, oneself, person (self)
(1 + person [modified])



other, other person, person (other)
(person [modified] + 2)



anyone, anybody, somebody, someone
(any + person)



no one, nobody
(minus + person)

Pronouns

Blissymbol users and instructors are able to "personalize" pronouns in order to make them more meaningful for users. In addition to the most commonly used forms, others may be created by adding 1, 2, or 3 to specific people symbols.

I (most common)	I (for a woman)	I (for a man)	I (for a child)	I (for a boy)	I (for a girl)
					
(person + 1)	(female + 1)	(male + 1)	(child + 1)	(boy + 1)	(girl + 1)

Different Ways to Say:

 I love you.	 I love you.	 I love you.

Possession

The symbol **belongs to, of** $_{+}$, derived from **addition** $+$, may be added to another symbol to show *possession*. It may precede or follow the symbol.

of the boy	boy's	my, mine
		
(belongs to + boy)	(boy + belongs to)	(I + belongs to)

Human Beings

FAMILY MEMBERS



father, dad, daddy, papa
(protection + man)



mother, mom, mommy, mum
(protection + woman)



parent
((protection + person)

Derivation of Parent Symbols

Charles Bliss wrote: "A **father** is symbolized by a man holding up the roof of his home, protection for his family."

Similarly, **mother** represents a woman holding up the roof, and **parent** represents a human being of either sex performing the same function.

Bliss continues, "And look, the roof symbol has changed into the arms of father and mother, who open up their arms to embrace their children in love."



husband
(man + protection)



wife
(protection + woman)



spouse, cohabitant
(person + protection)



stepfather
(husband + mother)



stepmother
(wife + father)



foster parent
(similar + parent)



foster mother
(woman + similar + mother)



grandfather, granddad, grandpa
(father + parent)



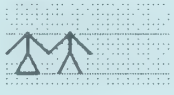
grandfather (paternal)
(father + father)



grandfather (maternal)
(father + mother)



grandmother, grandma, granny
(mother + parent)



grandmother (paternal)
(mother + father)



grandmother (maternal)
(mother + mother)



grandparent
(parent + parent)



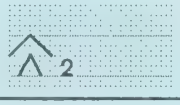
son
(protection + male)



daughter
(protection + female)



offspring, child
(protection + male + female)



brother
(son + 2)



sister
(daughter + 2)



sibling
(protection + male + female + 2)



uncle
(brother + parent)



aunt
(sister + parent)



nephew
(son + sibling)



niece
(daughter + sibling)



cousin
(offspring + sibling + parent)



family
(person + protection + person)



family
(group + protection)



family
(man + protection + protection + woman)



relative, relation
(protection + person + protection)

Human Beings

PEOPLE IN GROUPS



couple
(person + person)



couple
(man + woman)



couple
(man + protection + woman)



group
(group of + person)



class
(group + to learn)



choir, chorus
(group + to sing)



band, orchestra
(group + musical instrument)



staff, service
(group + to serve)



team
(group + to work + together)



government
(group + to govern)



army
(group + war)

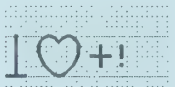


navy
(group + war + water)



everybody, everyone
(all + person)

PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY



friend
(person + to like)



sweetheart, lover
(person + to love)



stranger
(person + strange)



ghost, phantom
(person + transparent)



helper, aide, assistant
(person + help)



volunteer
(helper + free)



clerk
(helper + business)



worker
(person + to work)



milkman
(person + milk)



farmer
(person + farm)



letter carrier, mailman, postman
(person + letter)



barber, hairdresser
(person + hair)



fire fighter, fireman
(person + fire + to destroy)



police officer
(person + protection)



baby sitter
(person + to protect + child)



driver, chauffeur
(person + car)



taxi driver, cab driver
(person + taxi)



bus driver
(person + bus)



pilot
(person + airplane)



astronaut, cosmonaut
(person + rocket)



soldier, warrior
(person + war)



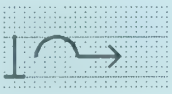
paratrooper
(soldier + sky + down)

Human Beings

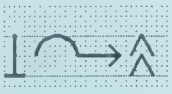
PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY



sailor
(person + boat)



leader, director, guide
(person + to lead)



boss, supervisor
(person + to guide + work)



manager, secretary
(person + to plan + work)



secretary
(person + secret)



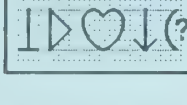
architect
(person + to plan + building)



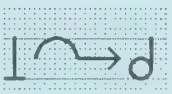
painter
(person + paint [contraction])



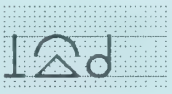
maker, manufacturer, producer
(person + to make)



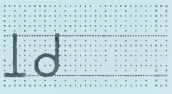
terrorist
(person + to terrorize)



conductor
(person + to lead + musical note)



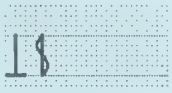
composer
(person + tune)



musician
(person + musical note)



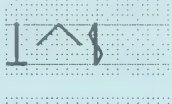
singer
(person + to sing)



doctor, physician
(person + medical)



dentist
(doctor + teeth)



nurse
(person + to care for + medical)



therapist
(mutual aid + forward + person)



social worker
(worker + to help + person)



counsellor, adviser
(person + suggestion + to help)



student, pupil
(person + to learn)



teacher, instructor
(person + to teach)



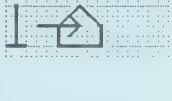
minister, pastor, priest, rabbi
(person + to teach + God)



resident
(person + house)



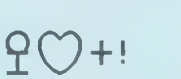
neighbour
(person + to live + near)



visitor, guest
(person + to visit)

Personalizing People Symbols

Besides creating additional pronoun symbols (see Note p. II-16), one may substitute **man, woman, boy, girl, child, baby** etc., for **person** in any compound symbol. Symbols then become more meaningful to users.

teacher (male)	minister (female)	friend (child)	visitor (boy)	student (girl)
				
(man + to give + knowledge)	(woman + to give knowledge + God)	(child + to like)	(boy + to visit)	(girl + to receive + knowledge)

The Body

BODY PARTS AND BODY FUNCTIONS



head
(pictograph)



hair
(head + hair + pointer)



hair
(pictograph)



neck
(head + pictograph of neck + pointer)



face
(pictograph)



forehead
(face + pointer)



cheek
(face + pointer)



chin
(face + pointer)



beard
(face + hair + pointer, to beard)



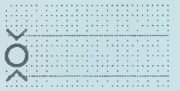
ear
(pictograph)



nose
(pictograph)



mouth
(pictograph)



lips
(mouth + two pointers)



tongue
(part of + mouth + up and down)



teeth
(pictograph)



eye
(pictograph)



eyelid
(eye + pointer)



eyebrow
(eye + line [half-sized] + pointer)



arm
(pictograph)



elbow
(arm + pointer, to elbow)



wrist
(arm + pointer, to wrist)



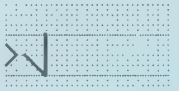
muscle
(arm + pictograph + pointer)



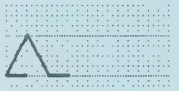
hand
(pictograph: shape formed by the thumb and the index finger)



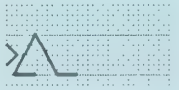
finger
(hand + pointer)



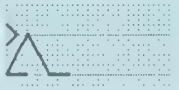
thumb
(hand + pointer)



legs and feet
(pictograph)



leg
(legs and feet + pointer)



hip
(legs and feet + pointer)



foot
(legs and feet + pointer)



toe
(legs and feet + pointer)



heel
(legs and feet + pointer)



ankle
(kneeling person + pointer)



knee
(kneeling person + pointer)



bone
(pictograph: bone shaft with ends)



joint
(pictograph + pointer)



skeleton
(structure + creature + thing indicator)

The Body

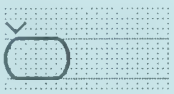
BODY PARTS AND BODY FUNCTIONS



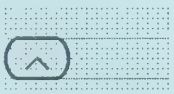
body, trunk
(pictograph)



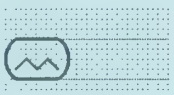
neck
(body + pointer)



shoulder
(body + pointer)



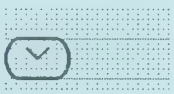
chest
(body + pointer)



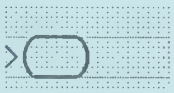
breasts
(body + two pointers)



nipples
(part of + breasts)



stomach
(body + pointer)



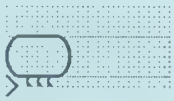
side
(body + pointer)



waist
(body + two pointers)



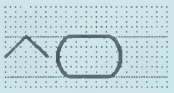
crotch
(body + pointer)



pubic hair
(hair + body + pointer)



vagina
(uterus + pointer)



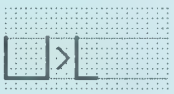
skin
(protection + body)



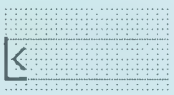
back
(standing person + pointer)



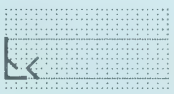
buttocks, bottom
(standing person + pointer)



anus
(opening + buttocks)



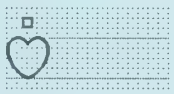
genitals, sex organs
(standing person + pointer)



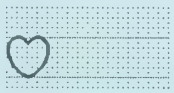
penis
(standing person + pictograph of penis + pointer)



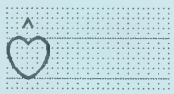
brain
(mind + thing indicator)



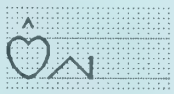
heart
(feeling + thing indicator)



feeling, emotion, sensation
(familiar heart shape)



feel (to)
(feeling + action indicator)



hurt (to), pain (to feel), suffer (to)
(pain + action ind.)



blood
(liquid + life)



bleed (to)
(blood + action indicator)



sweat, perspiration
(liquid + skin)



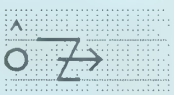
sweat (to), perspire (to)
(perspiration + action indicator)



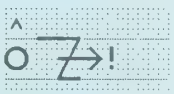
saliva, spit
(liquid + mouth)



spit (to)
(mouth + downward curving arrow + action indicator)



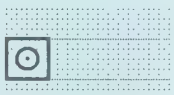
blow (to)
(mouth + wind + action indicator)



cough (to)
(to blow + intensity + action indicator)



yawn (to)
(mouth + to sleep + action indicator)



sleep
(eye + to close)



sleep (to)
(sleep + action indicator)

The Body

BODY PARTS AND BODY FUNCTIONS



eat (to)
(food + action indicator)



drink (to)
(drink + action indicator)



digestion
(food + through)



digest (to)
(digestion + action indicator)



swallow (to)
(down + combination of food *and* liquid + action indicator)



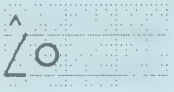
choke (to), gag (to)
(to swallow + negative + action ind.)



burp (to), belch (to)
(wind + body + upward + action indicator)



breath
(nose + mouth)



breathe (to)
(breath + action indicator)



sneeze (to)
(nose + to blow + intensity + action indicator)



bowel movement, feces
(waste + buttocks)



move bowels (to), defecate (to)
(bowel movement + action indicator)



bowel, intestine
(tube + bowel movement)



urine
(waste + genitals)



urinate (to), pee (to)
(urine + action indicator)



bladder
(container + urine)



urethra
(tube + urine)

The Pointer

The pointer is used in the system of Blissymbolics to to create a meaning by pointing to a detail of a symbol or to a particular location.

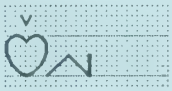
body, trunk	neck	shoulder	waist	stomach	chest	breasts
						
(pictograph)	(body + pointer, to neck)	(body + pointer, to shoulder)	(body + two pointers, to waist)	(body + pointer to stomach)	(body + pointer, to chest)	(body + two pointers, to breasts)

Users and instructors may create new symbols by using the pointer in this way.

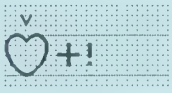
porcupine	quill	car	steering wheel
			
(rodent + pictograph of spines)	(porcupine + pointer to spine)	(the symbol suggests an automobile with a steering wheel)	(car + pointer to steering wheel)

The Body

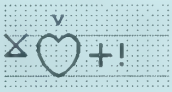
DESCRIBING THE BODY



painful, painfully, sore
(pain + description indicator)



good, well
(goodness + description ind.)



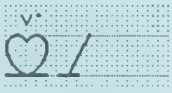
better
(more + good + description ind.)



comfortable
(to rest + description indicator)



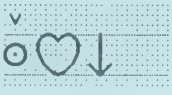
uncomfortable
(comfort + to cancel + description indicator)



tired, exhausted, weary
(rest + to need + desc. after the fact ind.)



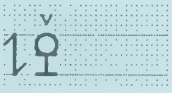
beautiful, good-looking, handsome, pretty
(eye + happy + descriptive indicator)



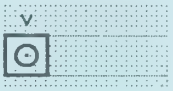
ugly, unattractive
(eye + sad + description ind.)



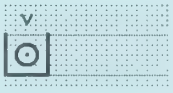
young
(child + description indicator)



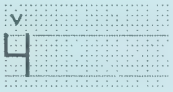
old, elderly
(opposite meaning + young + description ind.)



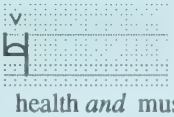
asleep
(sleep + description indicator)



awake
(eye + open + description ind.)



healthy, well
(health + description indicator)



strong, powerful
(combination of health *and* muscle + description ind.)



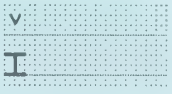
fat, thick
(two reference lines + two pointers + description ind.)



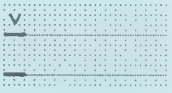
thin, slim
(two reference lines + two pointers + description ind.)



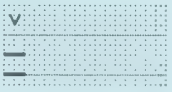
big, large
(vertical line bounded by two reference lines + desc. ind.)



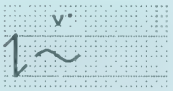
little, small
(vert. line [half-sized] bounded by two ref. lines + desc. ind.)



tall, high
(two horizontal reference lines [half-sized] + desc. ind.)



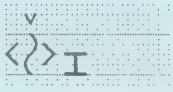
short, low
(two horizontal . reference lines [half-sized] + desc. ind.)



dry
(opposite meaning + wet + description after the fact ind.)



hot
(heat + description indicator)



warm
(hot + little + description ind.)



cold
(opposite meaning + hot + desc. ind.)



cool, chilly
(opposite meaning + warm + description ind.)



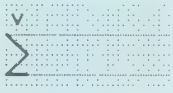
cold
(ice + two pointers + description indicator)



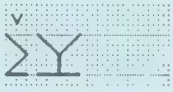
cool, chilly
(cold + little + description indicator)



sick, ill
(illness + description indicator)



weak
(weak person + description indicator)



drunk
(weak person + alcoholic drink + description ind.)



wiggly
(to wiggle + description indicator)

The Body

HYGIENE AND GROOMING

water
(symbol looks like a wave)

sink, basin, bath (UK), bathtub
(container + water)

wash (to), bathe (to)
(sink + action ind.)

soap, detergent
(thing + to wash)

bathroom, washroom
(room + bath)

shower
(room + water + down)

shower (to)
(shower + action indicator)

steam bath
(room + steam)

sauna
(steam bath + rock)

towel
(cloth + dry)

dry (to)
(to cause + dry + action indicator)

washcloth, flannel (UK)
(cloth + to wash)

handkerchief
(cloth + nose)

wipe (to)
(cloth + back and forth + action indicator)

tissue
(paper + nose)

spot, mark
(eye + dot)

dirty, soiled
(many + spot + description indicator)

clean
(opposite meaning + dirty + description indicator)

clean (to)
(to remove + comma + dirty + action indicator)

toilet
(seat + water)

toilet paper
(paper + toilet)

absorbent material, sponge
(material + into)

sanitary napkin, tampon
(absorbent material + woman)

diaper, nappy (UK)
(absorbent material + comb. of buttocks *and* genitals)

Grooming and Grooming Aids

barber shop, beauty shop
(public room + hair)

shampoo
(soap + hair)

shaving soap, shaving cream
(soap + beard)

shaver, razor
(knife + beard)

shave (to)
(to cut + beard + action indicator)

comb
(pictograph)

comb (to)
(comb + action indicator)

brush
(pictograph)

brush (to)
(brush + action indicator)

The Body

HYGIENE AND GROOMING

Grooming and Grooming Aids



toothbrush
(brush + teeth)



brush teeth (to)
(toothbrush + action indicator)



toothpaste
(chemical product + brush + teeth)



dental floss
(linear thing + teeth + thing indicator)



deodorant
(chemical product + against + odour)



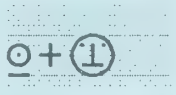
perfume, fragrance
(smell + happy)



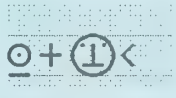
talcum powder
(powder + body)



sun screen, sun lotion
(chemical product + against + sun)



makeup
(colour + plus + face)



rouge, blusher
(colour + plus + cheek)



lipstick
(colour + plus + lips)



nail polish, nail varnish
(colour + plus + finger)



eye makeup
(colour + plus + 2 pointers, to eyelids and eyelashes)



kohl
(colour + plus + pointer, to lower eyelid) (India)



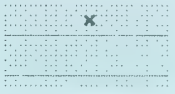
bindi, tika
(dot + colour + forehead) (India)



eyebrow pencil
(pencil + eyebrow)

Grammatical Indicators

Basic meaning is expressed by an unmarked symbol. Quarter-size symbols called indicators can be positioned over symbols to create different grammatical forms. The basic indicators are:

thing indicator	plural indicator	action indicator	description indicator
			
(thing [quarter-sized])	(multiplication [quarter-sized])	(action [quarter-sized])	(evaluation [quarter-sized])

Examples of different grammatical forms:

mind	brain	minds	brains	(to) think	mental
					
(the symbol suggests an outline of a skull)	(mind + thing indicator: *concrete form* of **mind**)	(mind + plural indicator)	(brain + plural indicator)	(mind + action indicator)	(mind + desc. indicator)

The Body

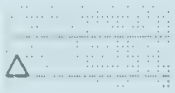
SEXUALITY



woman, female
(combination of person *and* creation [half-sized])



female, feminine
(woman + description ind.)



female
(woman [modified]: used only in compound symbols)



man, male
(combination of person *and* action)



male, masculine
(man + description indicator)



male
(man [modified]: used only in compound symbols)



gender, sex
(male + female)



sexual
(sex + description indicator)



sexuality
(feeling + sex)

Female



genitals (female), sex organs (female)
(genitals + female)



clitoris
(part of + female genitals + intensity)



breasts
(body + two pointers)



uterus, womb
(body + creation [half sized])



cervix
(part of + uterus)



vagina
(uterus + pointer)



vulva
(protection + vagina)



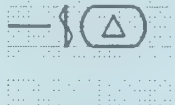
menstruation, menstrual period
(liquid + uterus + month)



menopause
(end + menstruation)



amenorrhea
(without + menstruation)



hysterectomy
(to remove + medical + uterus)



egg, ovum
(pictograph)

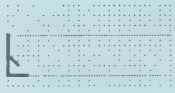


ovary
(container + egg)



fallopian tube
(tube + egg)

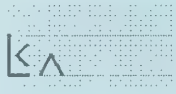
Male



man
(standing person + pictograph of penis)



penis
(standing person + pictograph of penis + pointer)



genitals (male), sex organs (male)
(genitals + male)



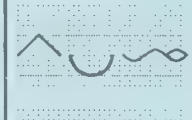
sperm
(pictograph)



semen
(liquid + sperm)



testicle
(container + sperm)



scrotum
(protection + testicle)



seminal vesicle
(container + semen)



vas deferens
(tube + sperm)



urethra
(tube + urine)



foreskin
(protection + penis [contraction])

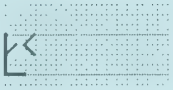


circumcision
(to remove + foreskin)

The Body

SEXUALITY

Male



erection, erect penis
(standing person with erect penis + pointer)



ejaculation
(erection + sperm + intensity)



nocturnal emission, wet dream
(ejaculation + to sleep)

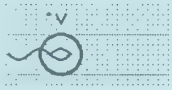
Reproduction



reproduction
(conception + to cause + baby)



conception, fertilization
(combination of sperm *and* egg)



fertile
(conception + descr. before the fact ind.)



infertile, sterile
(without + fertilization + desc. before the fact ind.)



artificial insemination
(aid + medical + conception)



fertility counselling
(help + conception)



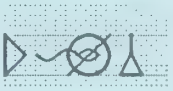
pregnancy
(conception + woman)



pregnant
(pregnancy + description indicator)



miscarriage, abortion (spontaneous)
(to cancel + pregnancy)



abortion (induced)
(to cause + miscarriage)



embryo
(body + life [half-sized])



fetus
(body + baby)



umbilical cord
(tube + fetus)



birth
(baby + body + downward [modified])



premature birth
(birth + early)



labour
(work + birth)



contraction (uterine)
(work + uterus)



Caesarean section, C-section
(to remove + medical + fetus)

Birth Control



family planning
(plan + conception)



family planning clinic
(public room + family planning)



birth control
(to stop + conception)



birth control pill, the Pill
(pill + without + egg)



barrier contraceptive
(combination of to stop *and* sperm)



diaphragm
(barrier contraceptive + female)



condom
(barrier contraceptive + male)



spermicide
(chemical product + to destroy + sperm)



IUD, intra-uterine device
(birth control + uterus)



rhythm method
(birth control + month)



abstinence
(to decide + without + sexual intercourse)



celibacy, chastity
(without + sexual intercourse)



sterilization
(to cause + infertile)



tubal ligation
(operation + fallopian tube)



vasectomy
(operation + vas deferens)

The Body

SEXUALITY

Sexual Activity



sex drive, libido, sexual urge
(fire + sex)



heterosexuality
(sexuality [contraction] + man + woman)



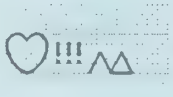
homosexuality (female), lesbianism
(sexuality [contrac]. + woman + woman)



homosexuality (male)
(sexuality [contrac.] + man + man)



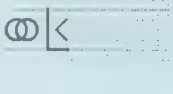
sexual pleasure
(pleasure + sexual)



sexual arousal, sexual excitement
(excitement + sexual)



orgasm
(excitement + genital)



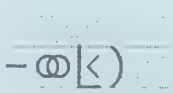
sexual intercourse, copulation
(to combine + genitals)



oral sex
(to combine + genitals+ mouth)



anal intercourse
(to combine + erect penis + anus [contraction])



virginity
(without + sexual intercourse + past)



masturbation
(genitals + to touch + pleasure)



stroke (to)
(hand + back and forth + action indicator)



hug (to), cuddle (to), embrace (to)
(arm + around + action indicator)



kiss
(mouth + mouth)



kiss (to)
(kiss + action indicator)



private
(to close + public + description indicator)



public
(open + public + description indicator)



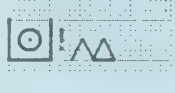
prostitution
(to combine + genitals + money)



incest
(sexual intercourse + relative)



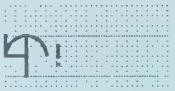
exhibitionism, indecent exposure
(to cause + to see+ genitals)



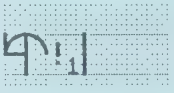
voyeurism
(to watch + sex)



sexual harassment
(harassment + sexual)



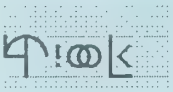
abuse, assault, violence
(force + intensity)



self-abuse
(abuse + self)



sexual abuse, sexual assault, sexual violence
(assault + sexual)



rape
(assault + sexual intercourse)



child abuse
(abuse + child)

Related Symbols



puberty
(awake + sexuality)



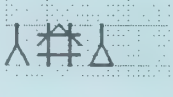
maturation
(to advance + adult)



adolescence
(limited time + adolescent)



transvestite (female)
(woman + to dress + man)



transvestite (male)
(man + to dress + woman

Being Alive

Things We Do

LIVING



live (to), dwell (to), reside (to)
(house + action indicator)



life
(combination of sun *and* person)



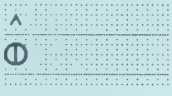
live (to)
(life + action indicator)



being, creature
(life + thing indicator)



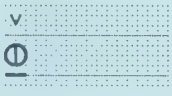
behaviour
(action + creature + thing indicator)



be (to), exist (to),
(to live [half-sized] + action indicator)



become (to)
(to advance + to be + action indicator



real, really
(to be + earth [half-sized] + description indicator)



birth
(protection (roof) + star)



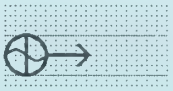
pregnant
(before + birth + description indicator)



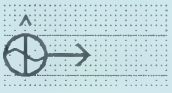
change, alteration
(weather [modified])



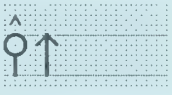
change (to), alter (to)
(change + action indicator)



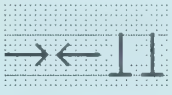
development
(change + to advance)



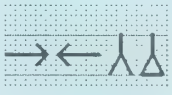
develop (to)
(development + action indicator)



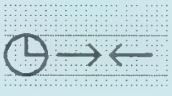
grow (to)
(flower + up + action indicator)



date
(to meet + person + person)



date
(to meet + man + woman)



appointment
(time + to meet)



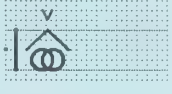
hug (to), cuddle (to), embrace (to)
(arm + around + action indicator)



kiss
(mouth + mouth)



kiss (to)
(kiss + action indicator)



engaged
(before + marriage + description indicator)



marriage
(protection + to combine)



marry (to)
(marriage + action indicator)



divorce
(marriage + division)



divorce (to)
(divorce + action indicator)



young
(child + description indicator)



old, elderly
(opposite meaning + young + description indicator)



death
(life + to cross out)



die (to), pass away (to), perish (to)
(death + action indicator)



mortal
(death + description before the fact indicator)



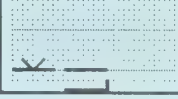
dead, deceased
(death + description after the fact ind.)



grave
(earth + to lie down)



bury (to)
(earth + to lie down + action indicator)



cemetery
(place + grave)

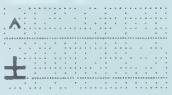
Things We Do

HAVING, GETTING AND GIVING

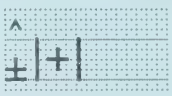
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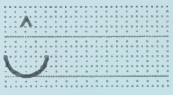
own (to), possess (to)
(addition + earth + action indicator)



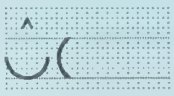
have (to)
(to own [half-sized] + action indicator)



share (to)
(to have + together + action indicator)



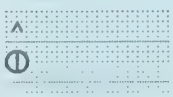
hold (to)
(container + action indicator)



keep (to), preserve (to), save (to)
(to hold + future + action indicator)

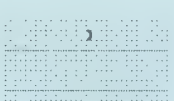
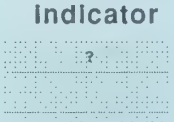
Big and Little Meanings

Two sizes of the same symbol can represent two different meanings derived from the same concept. The half-sized symbol is used to *minimize* the meaning of the full-sized symbol.

Big Meaning	Little Meaning
 **(to) live** (life + action indicator)	 **(to) be** (to live [half-sized] + action indicator)
 **(to) own, (to) possess** (addition + earth + action indicator: CKB wrote "an addition, a gain, a plus of some very earthly (material) thing")	 **(to) have** (to own [half-sized] + action indicator: to have something in one's possession without necessarily owning it)

Action Indicators

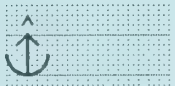
There are four basic action indicators from which all others are derived. All indicators are quarter-sized and are centred over a symbol. In a compound symbol an indicator is usually centred over the *classifier* (see Note p. II-57). The infinitive form of each action symbol is presented throughout this book.

action indicator	past action indicator	future action indicator	conditional indicator
			
This indicator denotes an action symbol or verb in both the infinitive and present tense and all forms of the *present tense* in a user's native language:	This indicator denotes an action symbol in the *past tense.* and all forms of the *past tense* in a user's native language:	This indicator denotes an action symbol in the *future tense.* and all forms of the *future tense* in a user's native language:	This indicator denotes an action symbol in the *present conditional* form and all forms of the *present conditional form* in a user's native language:
to sew; sew; sews; do/does sew; am/is/are sewing	**sewed; was/were sewing; did sew; has/have sewn**	**shall/will sew; shall/ will be sewing; am/is/ are going to sew**	**may sew; may be sewing**
 (needle + action indicator)	 (needle + past action ind.)	 (needle + future action ind.)	 (needle + conditional ind.)

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HAVING, GETTING AND GIVING

Getting and Giving



give (to), offer (to), provide (to)
(up + to hold + action indicator)



get (to), acquire (to), receive (to)
(down + to hold + action indicator)



exchange (to), substitute (to), trade (to)
(comb. of to receive *and* to give + act. ind.)



amuse (to), entertain (to), please (to)
(to give + happiness + action indicator)



lend (to), loan (to)
(to give + limited time + action ind.)



borrow (to)
(to receive + limited time + action indicator)



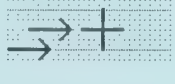
teach (to), instruct (to)
(to give + knowledge + action indicator)



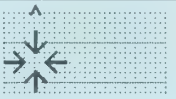
learn (to)
(to receive + knowledge + action indicator)



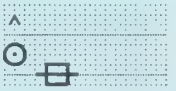
catch (to)
(hand + to receive + action indicator)



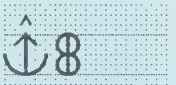
win (to)
(competition + gain + action indicator)



gather (to), assemble (to)
(gathering + action indicator)



find (to)
(eye + thing + earth + action indicator)



pay (to)
(to give + money + action indicator)



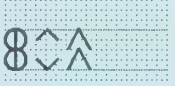
buy (to)
(money + thing + action indicator)



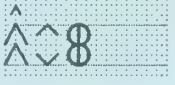
sell (to)
(thing + money + action indicator)



cost, price
(money + for (in exchange for) + thing)



wages, pay, salary
(money + for (in exchange for) + work)



earn (to)
(to work + for (in exchange for) + money)



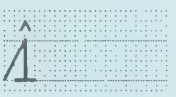
include (to)
(inside + action indicator)



protect (to), take care of (to)
(protection + action indicator)



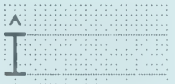
help, aid, assistance, support
(diagonal line + person)



help (to), aid (to), assist (to), serve (to), support (to)
(help + action ind.)



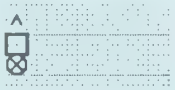
support (to)
(to help + with (the help of) + money + action indicator)



increase (to), enlarge (to)
(big + action indicator)



decrease (to), reduce (to)
(little + action indicator)



carry (to), move (to), transport (to)
(thing + wheel + action indicator)



bring (to)
(to carry + forward + reference line + action indicator)



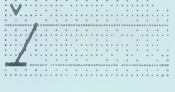
send (to)
(to carry + reference line + forward + action indicator)



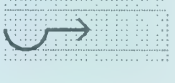
need
(person, leaning, as if in need of support)



need (to)
(need + action indicator)



necessary, necessarily
(need + description indicator)



take (to), bring (to)
(to hold + forward + action indicator)

Things We Do

DOING, MAKING AND BREAKING

Doing



Action (The)
(symbol suggests the shape of a volcano cone)



action, act, activity, deed
(The Action [half-sized])



active, actively
(action + description indicator)



do (to), act (to)
(action + action indicator)



play (to)
(play + action indicator)



obey (to), comply (to)
(to do + by + to guide + action ind.)



prepare (to)
(to do + for (the purpose of) + future + action indicator)



ready, prepared
(to prepare + description after the fact indicator)



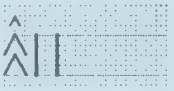
finish (to), complete (to)
(to do + all + action indicator)



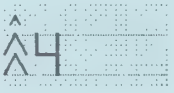
work, employment, job
(two action symbols [half-sized])



work (to)
(work + action indicator)



practise (to)
(to work + to repeat + action indicator)



exercise (to)
(to work + health + action indicator)



dream (to)
(to think + to sleep + action indicator)



lead (to), direct (to), guide (to)
(mind + forward + action indicator)



follow (to)
(opposite meaning + to lead + action indicator)



force (to), compel (to)
(mind + strong [modified] + act. ind)



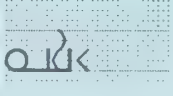
use (to)
(mind + tool + action indicator)



smoke (to)
(suggests a mouth holding a smoking cigarette + act. ind.)



cigarette
(to smoke + pointer, to cigarette)



pipe
(comb. of to smoke *and* pictograph of pipe + pointer)



lock (to)
(key + action indicator)



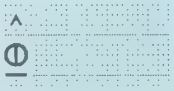
hang (to), hook (to)
(hook + action indicator)



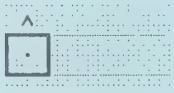
point (to), indicate (to)
(hand, on its side + action indicator)



event, happening, occasion
(to be + earth [half-sized])



happen (to), occur (to)
(event + action indicator)



include (to)
(inside + action indicator)



exclude (to)
(outside + action indicator)



mail (to), post (to)
(mail + action indicator)



laugh (to)
(happy + mouth + action indicator)



smile (to), grin (to)
(happy + face + action indicator)



wink (to), blink (to)
(eyelid + action indicator)



read (to)
(to see + page + action indicator)



find (to)
(eye + thing + earth + action indicator)

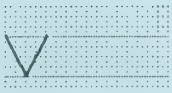


lose (to)
(opposite meaning + to find + action indicator)

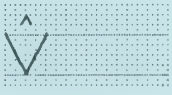
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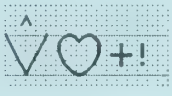
Doing



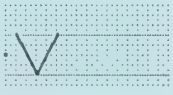
evaluation, value
(cone balancing on its point)



evaluate (to)
(evaluation + action indicator)



evaluate as good (to) (Hebrew)
(to evaluate + good + action indicator)



ability, capability, capacity, potential
(dot + evaluation)



patience
(ability + to wait)



patient (to be)
(patience + action indicator)



can, be able (to)
(ability [half-sized] + action indicator)



cause
(wedge shape that incorporates **relation**)



effect, result
(shape that incorporates **relation**)



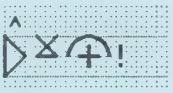
cause (to)
(cause + action indicator)



caused by (to be)
(cause + passive indicator)



show (to), demonstrate (to)
(to cause + to observe + act. ind.)



improve (to)
(to cause + more + correct + action indicator)



artificial respiration (to give)
(artificial respiration + action indicator)



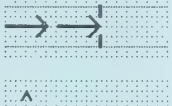
dry (to)
(to cause + dry + action indicator)



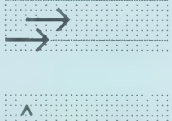
terrorize (to)
(to cause + to feel terror + action indicator)



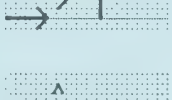
begin (to), start (to)
(beginning + action indicator)



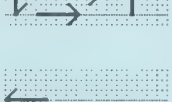
try (to), attempt (to)
(forward + difficult + action indicator)



compete (to), race (to)
(race + action indicator)



win (to),
(competition + gain + action indicator)



lose (to)
(opposite meaning + to win + action indicator)



success
(three arrows: one arrow moves beyond two opposing arrows)



succeed (to)
(success + action indicator)

Making



creation, nature
(equal-sided triangle)



create (to)
(creation + action indicator)



creative
(creation + description indicator)



make (to), produce (to), manufacture (to)
(creation [modified] + action indicator)



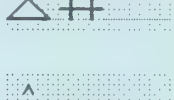
man-made
(to make + description indicator)



fix (to), repair (to)
(to make + to work + action indicator)



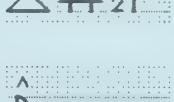
hide (to), conceal (to)
(to make + minus + to see + action ind.)



weave (to)
(to make + cloth + action indicator)



crochet (to)
(to make + cloth + hook + action indicator)



knit (to)
(to make + cloth + 2 + linear thing + thing ind. + act. ind.)



sew (to)
(needle + action indicator)

Things We Do

DOING, MAKING AND BREAKING

Making



prepare food (to), cook (to)
(to make + food + action indicator)



cook (to)
(fire + food + action indicator)



plan (to), design (to)
(plan + action ind.)



invent (to)
(plan + first + action indicator)



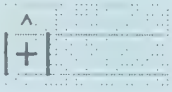
organize (to), arrange (to)
(to plan + many + thing + action ind.)



combination, connection
(two interlocking circles [half-sized])



combine (to), connect (to), link (to)
(combination + action ind.)



fasten (to), join (to), attach (to)
(together + act. ind.)



glue (to), paste (to), stick (to)
(glue + action ind.)



paint (to), dye (to)
(paint + action indicator)



write (to)
(pen + action indicator)



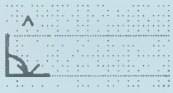
draw (to), sketch (to)
(pencil + picture + action indicator)



raise (to), grow (to)
(to cause + to grow + action indicator)



repeat (to), copy (to), reproduce (to)
(two vertical lines + act. ind.)



fold (to), pleat (to)
(curved arrow + two ref. lines + act. ind.)



unfold (to)
(opposite meaning + to fold + action ind.)



fill (to)
(full + action indicator)



empty (to), void (to)
(empty + action indicator)

Breaking



break (to), crack (to), fracture (to), tear (to)
(line [broken] + action indicator)



breakable, fragile
(to break + desc. before the fact ind.)



broken
(to break + description after the fact indicator)



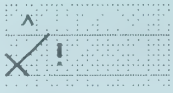
smash (to), grind (to), shatter (to)
(to break + many + piece + action ind.)



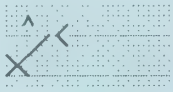
cut (to)
(scissors + action indicator)



cut (to)
(knife + action indicator)



chop (to)
(to cut + intensity + action indicator)



puncture (to), prick (to)
(point + action ind.)



divide (to)
(division + action indicator)



destroy (to), cancel (to), cross out (to)
(diagonal line + action indicator)



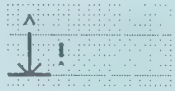
crash
(to stop + intensity)



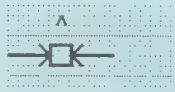
crash (to)
(crash + action indicator)



crash
(to fall + earth)



crash (to)
(crash + action indicator)



crush (to), squeeze (to)
(forward + thing + backward + act. ind.)



injure (to), hurt (to)
(to cause + pain + action indicator)



kill (to), murder (to)
(to cause + to die + action indicator)

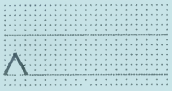
Things We Do

MOVING AND STAYING STILL

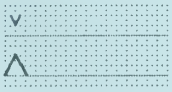
Moving



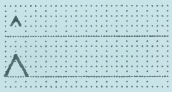
Action (The)
(symbol suggests the shape of a volcano cone)



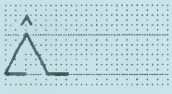
action, act, activity, deed
(The Action [half-sized])



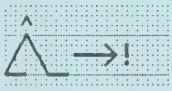
active, actively
(action + description indicator)



do (to), act (to)
(action + action indicator)



walk (to), go (to)
(legs and feet + action indicator)



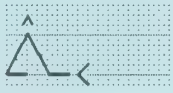
run (to)
(to walk + fast + action indicator)



kick (to)
(legs and feet + two pointers + intensity + action indicator)



hop (to)
(1 + foot + action indicator)



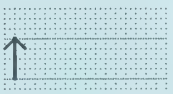
tiptoe (to)
(toe + action indicator)



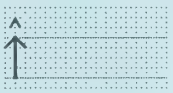
climb (to)
(to walk + up + action indicator)



dance (to)
(to walk + musical note + action ind.)



up, upward
(arrow, pointing upward)



rise (to), ascend (to), go up (to)
(up + action ind.)



lift (to), raise (to)
(up + weight + action indicator)



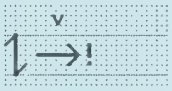
forward
(arrow, pointing forward)



advance (to), go (to)
(forward + action indicator)



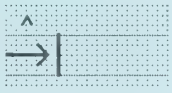
quick, fast, quickly, rapid, rapidly
(forward + intensity + description ind.)



slow, slowly
(opposite meaning + fast + desc. ind.)



approach
(forward + reference line)



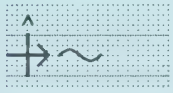
come (to), approach (to)
(approach + action indicator)



through
(forward + reference line)



penetrate (to), go through (to)
(through + action indicator)



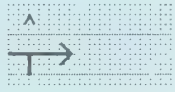
swim (to)
(through + water + action indicator)



beginning, start
(reference line + forward)



begin (to), start (to)
(beginning + action indicator)



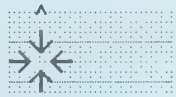
continue (to), pass (to)
(forward + reference line + action ind.)



meet (to), encounter (to)
(two arrows + action indicator)



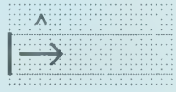
gathering, assembly, meeting, conference
(four arrows [modified])



gather (to), assemble (to)
(gathering + action indicator)



departure
(reference line + forward)



go (to), depart (to), leave (to)
(departure + action indicator)



down, downward
(arrow, pointing downward)



descend (to), go down (to)
(down + action indicator)



fall (to)
(down + intensity + action indicator)



crash (to)
(crash + action indicator)

Things We Do

MOVING AND STAYING STILL

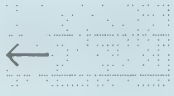
Moving



up and down
(up + down)



shake (to), jiggle (to)
(up and down + action indicator)



backward, back
(arrow, pointing backward)



back up (to)
(backward + action indicator)



return
(reference line + backward)



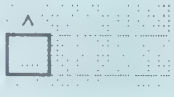
return (to), come back (to), reverse (to)
(return + action ind.)



back and forth, backward and forward, to and fro
(backward + forward)



wipe (to), dust (to), polish (to)
(cloth + back and forth + action ind.)



close (to), enclose (to), shut (to)
(enclosure + action indicator)



enter (to), absorb (to), insert (to), penetrate (to)
(into + action ind.)



exit (to)
(out of + action indicator)



open (to)
(opening + action indicator)



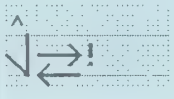
visit (to)
(combination of house + to enter + action indicator)



touch (to), feel (to)
(hand + action indicator)



stroke (to)
(hand + back and forth + action ind.)



rub (to)
(hand + back and forth + intensity + action indicator)



catch (to)
(hand + to receive + action indicator)



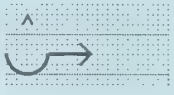
throw (to)
(hand + to give + intensity + act. ind.)



hit (to)
(to touch + two intensity symbols + action indicator)



splash (to)
(to hit + water + action indicator)



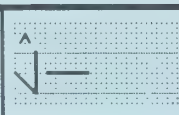
take (to), bring (to), carry (to), move (to)
(to hold + forward + action indicator)



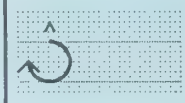
subtract (to), remove (to), take away (to)
(subtraction + act. ind.)



clean (to)
(to remove + comma + dirty + action ind.)



take away (to), remove (to)
(hand + to take away + action indicator)



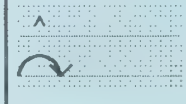
rotate (to), circle (to), circulate (to)
(curved arrow + action indicator)



turn (to)
(curved arrow + action indicator)



mix (to), blend (to)
(two curved arrows + action indicator)



jump (to)
(curved arrow + action indicator)



swing (to), sway (to), rock (to)
(swing + action ind.)



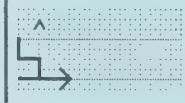
float (to)
(container + water + action indicator)



wiggle (to), squirm (to)
(worm + action indicator)



wiggly
(to wiggle + description indicator)



ride (to)
(to sit + forward + action indicator)



crawl (to)
(kneeling person + forward + action indicator)



fly (to)
(wings + action indicator)

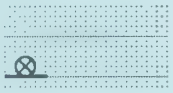
Things We Do

MOVING AND STAYING STILL

Moving



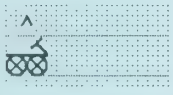
move (to)
(wheel + earth [half-sized] + action indicator)



trip, journey, travel, voyage
(wheel + earth)



travel (to), journey (to)
(trip + action indicator)



drive (to)
(car + action indicator)



carry (to), move (to), transport (to)
(thing + wheel + action indicator)



bring (to)
(to carry + forward + reference line + action indicator)



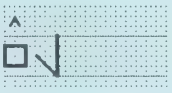
send (to)
(to carry + reference line + forward + action indicator)



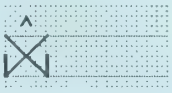
push (to), shove (to)
(forward + thing + action indicator)



pull (to), drag (to), tow (to), tug (to)
(thing + forward + action indicator)



switch on (to), turn on (to)
(switch + action indicator)



fight (to), combat (to)
(hand crossing hand + action indicator)



put (to), locate (to), place (to)
(place + action indicator)



dig (to)
(shovel + earth + action indicator)

Staying Still



rest, comfort
(feeling + earth)



rest (to)
(rest + action indicator)



live (to), dwell (to), reside (to)
(house + action indicator)



end, arrival, stop
(forward + reference line)



stop (to), arrive (to), end (to)
(end + action indicator)



wait (to)
(to stop + limited time + action indicator)



stay (to), remain (to)
(without + to advance + action ind)



stand (to)
(standing person + action indicator)



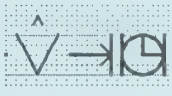
kneel (to)
(kneeling person + action indicator)



sit (to)
(sitting person + action indicator)



lie down (to)
(person lying down + action indicator)



patient (to be)
(patience + action indicator)

Personalizing Vocabulary

Indicators are useful for creating more *precise* meanings when desirable.

For example **to drive** is usually expressed using **car** and the **action indicator**. But other forms may be created using the **action indicator** and symbols representing other vehicles:



(car + action indicator)



(truck + action indicator)



(bus + action indicator)



(electric wheelchair + action indicator)

Things We Do

THINKING



mind, intellect, reason
(symbol suggests an outline of a skull)



think (to), reason (to)
(mind + action indicator)



mental, intellectual (Aus), rational, thinking
(mind + desc. ind.)



idea, thought
(mind + down)



opinion
(mind + mouth)



suggestion, proposal
(opinion + purpose)



advice, counsel, recommendation
(suggestion + to help)



meaning, sense, significance
(to think + to say + to write)



nonsense
(meaning + to cross out)



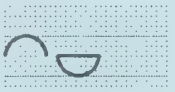
fact
(mind + real)



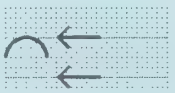
expectation, anticipation
(mind + future + question mark)



point of view
(mind + position)



satisfaction, contentment
(mind + full)



worry
(mind + two arrows, pointing backward)



self-control
(to lead + self)



science
(mind + nature)



mathematics, arithmetic, math
(science + 0 + 1)



truth
(mind + creation + question mark)



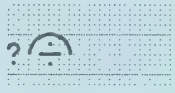
lie
(opposite meaning + truth)



plan, design, method, system
(mind + man-made)



type, kind, sort
(mind + division [half-sized]



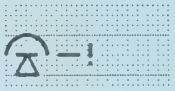
what kind ?
(what ? + type)



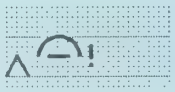
decision
(to think + to arrive)



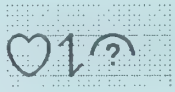
excuse
(to allow + after)



guilt
(mind + to weigh + negative)

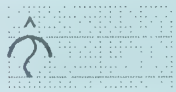


mistake, error
(action + incorrect)



trust, confidence
(feeling + certain)

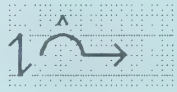
Mental Actions



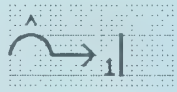
wish (to)
(mind + fire + action indicator)



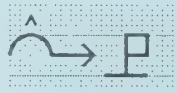
lead (to), direct (to), guide (to)
(mind + forward + action indicator)



follow (to)
(opposite meaning + to lead + action indicator)



control oneself (to)
(self-control + action indicator)



govern (to), rule (to)
(to lead + country + action indicator)



obey (to), comply (to)
(to do + by + to guide + action ind.)



worry (to)
(worry + action indicator)



mean (to), signify (to)
(meaning + action indicator)

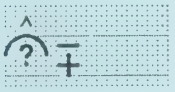
Things We Do

THINKING

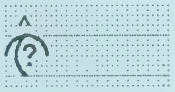
Mental Actions



doubt (to)
(to think + question mark + action indicator)



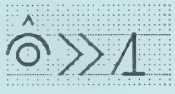
guess (to)
(to think + question mark + minus + plus + action ind.)



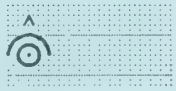
expect (to), anticipate (to)
(expectation + action indicator)



suggest (to), propose (to)
(suggestion + action indicator)



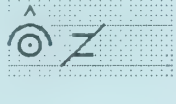
advise (to), counsel (to), recommend (to)
(advice + action indicator)



observe (to)
(mind + eye + action indicator)



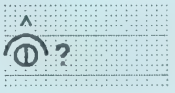
compare (to)
(to observe + same + action indicator)



contrast (to)
(to observe + different + action indicator)



show (to), demonstrate (to)
(to cause + to observe + act. ind.)



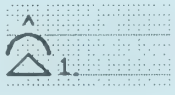
seem (to)
(mind + maybe + action indicator)



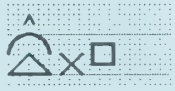
use (to)
(mind + tool + action indicator)



plan (to), design (to)
(plan + action indicator)



invent (to)
(plan + first + action indicator)



organize (to), arrange (to)
(to plan + many + thing + action ind.)



decide (to)
(decision + action indicator)



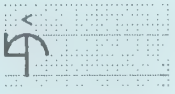
let (to), allow (to), permit (to)
(mind + through + action indicator)



excuse (to)
(excuse + action indicator)



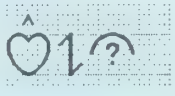
force (to), compel (to)
(mind + strong [mod.] + act. ind.)



must, forced to (to be)
(to force + passive indicator)



calculate (to)
(to think + 0 + 1 + action indicator)



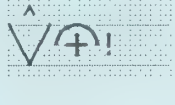
trust (to)
(trust + action indicator)



describe (to)
(to say + to think + to be + action indicator)



lie (to)
(lie + action indicator)



approve (to)
(evaluation + correct + action indicator)

Opposite Meaning

Opposite meaning ↿ is derived from **up** ↑ and **down** ↓, two arrows pointing in *opposite* directions. It is placed before another symbol to create a meaning that is *opposite* to the second symbol. Augmentative communicators with a limited amount of space on their communication displays find it a useful technique for increasing the available vocabulary.

Blissymbol Synonyms for Symbols Containing Opposite Meaning

In some cases *Blissymbol synonyms* (See Note p. II-60) were developed for symbols that have **opposite meaning** ↿ as the first component. This was done for the benefit of symbol users who cannot understand the concept of opposite.

hot	cold	cold
		
(heat + description indicator)	(opposite meaning + hot + description indicator)	(ice + two pointers, suggesting the emission of cold + description indicator)

Missing Symbol?

If a symbol you need seems to be missing from this book:

1. Can it be created by removing, changing or adding an indicator? See Notes p. II-25, 30, 53 and 70.

2. Does the word for your symbol have a synonym that cannot be found in this book? See Note p. II-53.

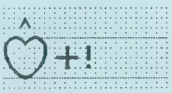
3. Can you create a new meaning using a *Special Blissymbol*? See Note p. II-132.

4. Can you create a *combined symbol*? See Note p. II-130.

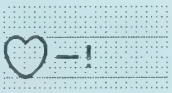
Things We Do

THINKING

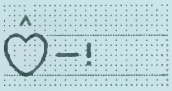
Related Symbols



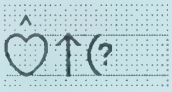
like (to)
(good + action indicator)



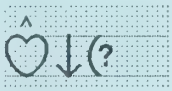
dislike
(feeling + negative)



dislike (to), hate (to) (Hebrew)
(dislike + act. ind.)



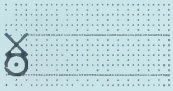
hope (to)
(happy + future + question mark + action indicator)



fear (to), afraid (to be), dread (to)
(afraid + action ind.)



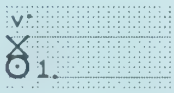
believe (to)
(belief + action indicator)



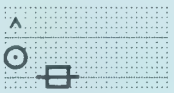
choice, selection
(comb. of eye *and* to divide *and* many)



choose (to), pick (to), select (to)
(choice + action indicator)



favourite
(to choose + first + description after the fact indicator)



find (to)
(eye + thing + earth + action indicator)



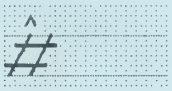
pretend (to), make believe (to)
(to be + sky + action indicator)



make-believe
(to pretend + description indicator)



measure (to)
(measurement + action indicator)



count (to)
(number + action indicator)



add (to), gain (to)
(addition + action indicator)



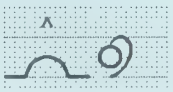
subtract (to), remove (to), take away (to)
(subtraction + act. ind)



multiply (to)
(multiplication + action indicator)



divide (to)
(division + action indicator)



translate (to)
(bridge + language + action indicator)



question
(question mark + open)



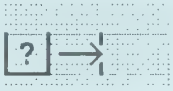
ask (to), inquire (to), question (to)
(question + action indicator)



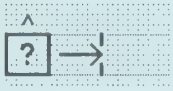
answer, reply
(question + enclosure)



answer (to), reply (to)
(answer + action indicator)



problem
(question + difficult)



solve (to)
(to answer + difficult + action indicator)



test, assessment
(question + for + evaluation)

Things We Do

THINKING

Describing Thinking



difficult, hard
(forward + broken reference line + description indicator)



easy
(opposite meaning + difficult + desc. ind.)



interesting
(mind + intensity + description indicator)



important, significant
(mind + 2 intensity symbols + desc. ind.)



smart, bright, clever, intelligent
(mind + intensity + description indicator)



stupid, dumb
(opposite meaning + smart + desc. ind.)



correct, accurate, good, right
(mind + positive + description indicator)



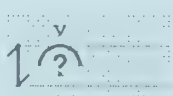
incorrect, bad, inaccurate, wrong
(mind + negative + description indicator)



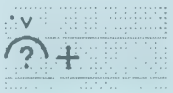
careful
(combination of to observe *and* attention + desc. ind.)



guilty
(guilt + description indicator)



certain, sure
(opposite meaning + to doubt + description indicator)



probable, likely, probably
(to doubt + plus + desc. before fact ind.)



maybe, perhaps
(to be + question mark)



possible, possibly
(maybe + description before the fact ind.)



selfish, self-centred
(mind + self + desc. ind.)



considerate, thoughtful
(mind + other + description indicator)



true, truly, truthful, truthfully
(truth + desc. ind.)

Knowing



knowledge
(combination of mind *and* enclosure)



know (to)
(knowledge + action indicator)



understand (to)
(combination of knowledge *and* into + action indicator)



forget (to)
(combination of knowledge *and* out of + action indicator)



remember (to), recall (to)
(opposite meaning + to forget + act. ind.)



explain (to)
(to say + to understand + action indicator)



teach (to), instruct (to)
(to give + knowledge + action indicator)



learn (to)
(to receive + knowledge + act. ind.)

Conscience



conscience
(mind + mind, at a higher level)



moral, right
(conscience + positive + desc. ind.)



immoral, bad, wrong
(conscience + negative + desc. ind.)



forgive (to)
(comb. of conscience *and* to allow + after + action ind.)



sin
(wrong + God)



sin (to)
(sin + action indicator)

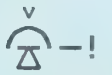
Negative and Positive

There are several ways to express *negative* and *positive* concepts using Blissymbols.

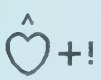
1. The symbol **minus, without** − may precede a compound symbol to create a new meaning that corresponds to English word equivalents beginning with *un, in* or *dis* .

unemployment	**infertile**	**disinterest**
		
(without + work)	(without + fertilization + description before the fact indicator)	(without + interest)

2. **Negative** −! (minus + intensity) is found as a component within compound symbols:

bad, wrong	**guilty**	**incorrect, inaccurate, wrong**
		
(feeling + negative + description indicator: felt to be negative or bad in an emotional sense)	(mind + to weigh + negative + description indicator: the mind weighs something and judges it to be negative)	(mind + negative + description indicator: thought to be wrong or bad in a rational sense)

3. **Positive** +! (plus + intensity) is found as a component within compound symbols:

(to) like	**correct, right, accurate**
	
(good + action indicator: to have a positive or good feeling toward someone or something)	(mind + positive + description indicator: thought to be correct, good, or right in a rational sense)

Human Feeling



(symbol is the familiar heart shape)

Charles Bliss wrote that his symbols for human feelings are based on poetic images: the heart being *lifted up* or *weighed down* or *pierced* by love's arrow. "Poets", he says "often use the roof to indicate protection, the sword for *cruelty*, the fire for *desire*, the earth for *rest*, and they may indicate *peace* by imagining their heart filling the space between heaven and earth."

Feeling and Reasoning

Charles Bliss wrote about two simple symbols that express three levels of meaning. The heart shape ♡ is the symbol **emotion, feeling**. The outline of the skull ◠ is the symbol **mind, intellect, reason**. Two mind symbols, placed one above the other ◠ represent **conscience,** which he called the "reasoning dictated by some 'higher' mind". Examples:

good, well	**correct, accurate, good, right**	**moral, good, right**
		
(feeling + positive + description indicator)	(mind + positive + description indicator)	(conscience + positive + description indicator)

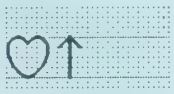
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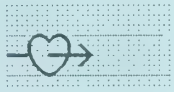
Emotional States



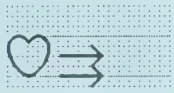
feeling, emotion, sensation
(familiar heart shape)



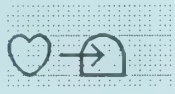
happiness, fun, joy, pleasure
(feeling + up)



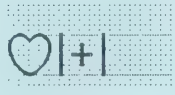
love, affection
(feeling + arrow)



harmony
(feeling + to agree)



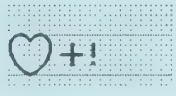
empathy
(feeling + to understand)



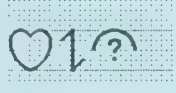
fidelity, loyalty
(feeling + to attach)



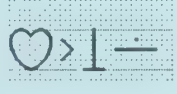
intimacy
(feeling + close)



goodness
(feeling + positive)



trust, confidence
(feeling + certain)



respect, admiration
(feeling + about + person + superior)



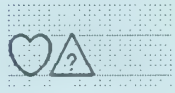
rest, comfort
(feeling + earth)



peace, serenity
(feeling + world)



freedom, liberty
(feeling + open)



belief
(feeling + truth [contraction])



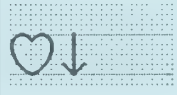
safety, security
(feeling + protection)



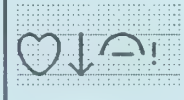
luck
(feeling + addition)



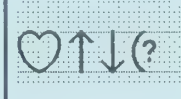
excitement
(feeling + three intensity symbols)



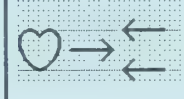
sadness, sorrow, unhappiness
(feeling + down)



shame
(sad + wrong)



anxiety
(upset + future + question mark)



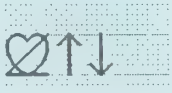
frustration
(feeling + forward + two arrows, pointing backward)



trouble
(feeling + two arrows, pointing backward)



discomfort
(comfort + to destroy)



embarrassment
(combination of uncomfortable *and* upset)



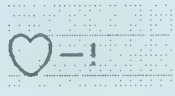
disturbance
(peace + to destroy)



harassment
(many + disturbance)



loss
(feeling + to take away)



dislike
(feeling + negative)



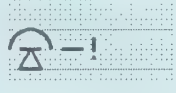
mood
(mind + to be + feeling)



depression
(combination of mood *and* sad + intensity)



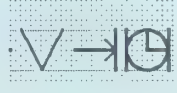
danger
(creation + intensity)



guilt
(mind + to weigh + negative)



charity
(help + needy person + feeling)



patience
(ability + to wait)

Chart Showing Relationships among Some Blissymbols for Feelings I

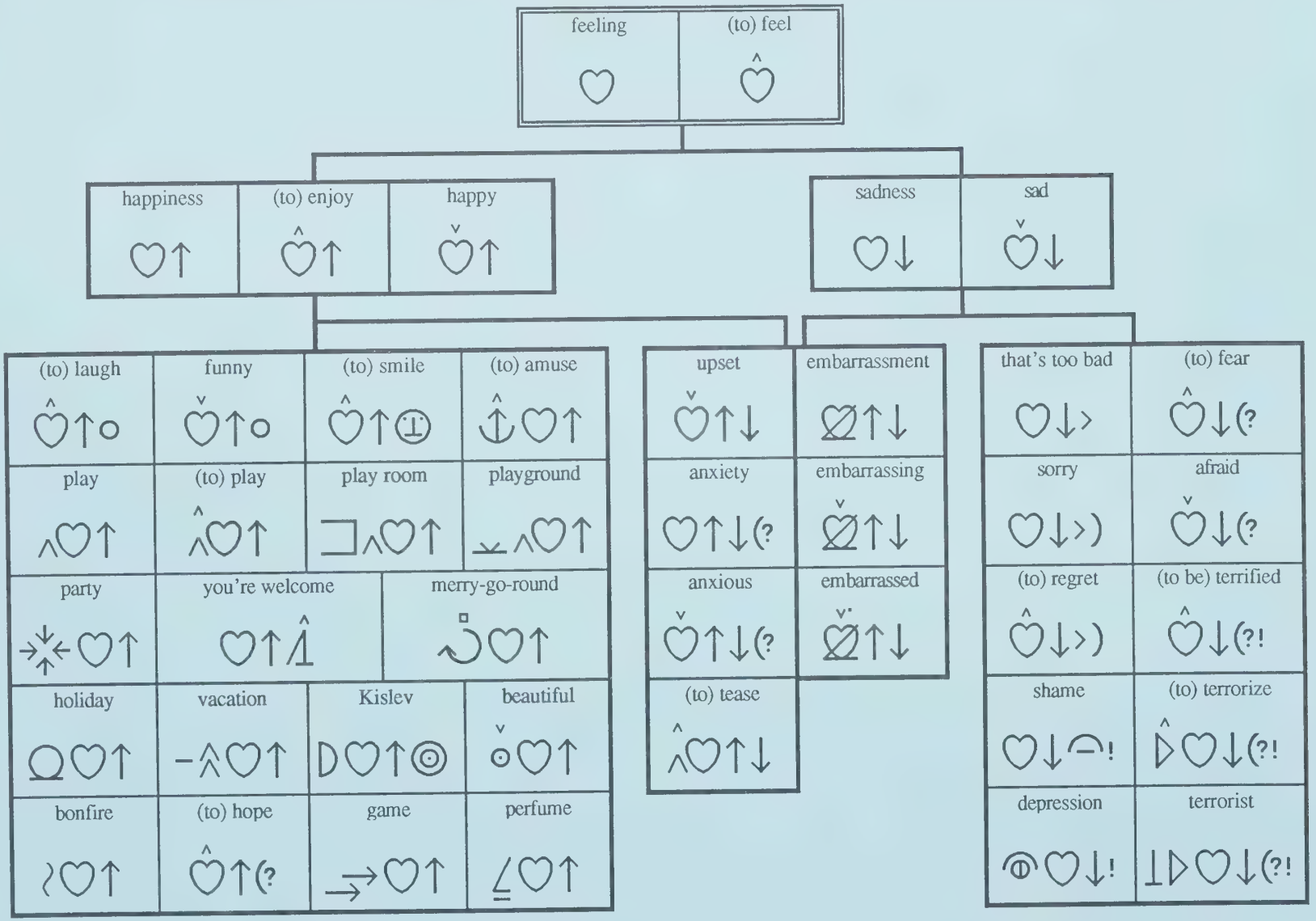


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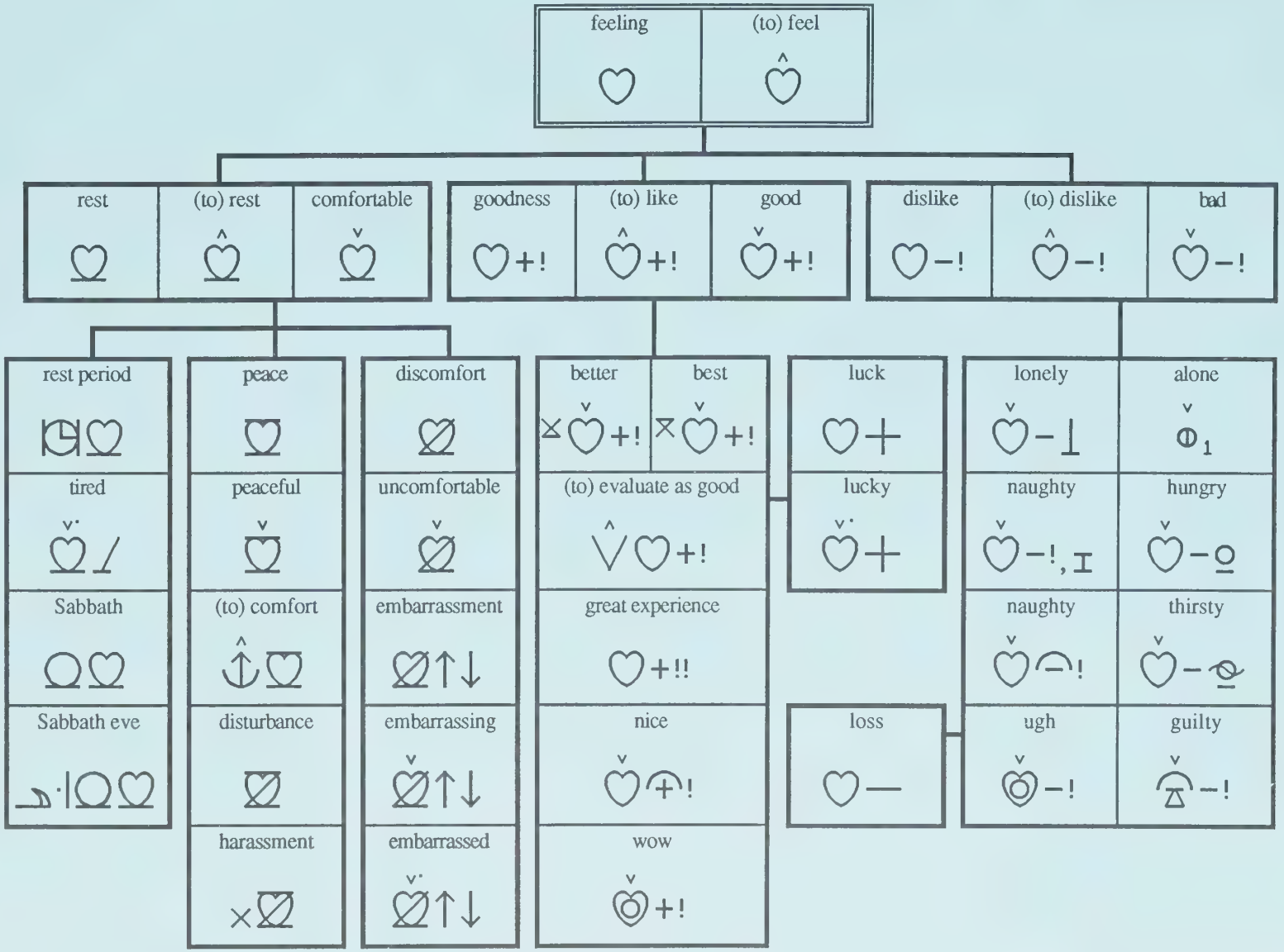
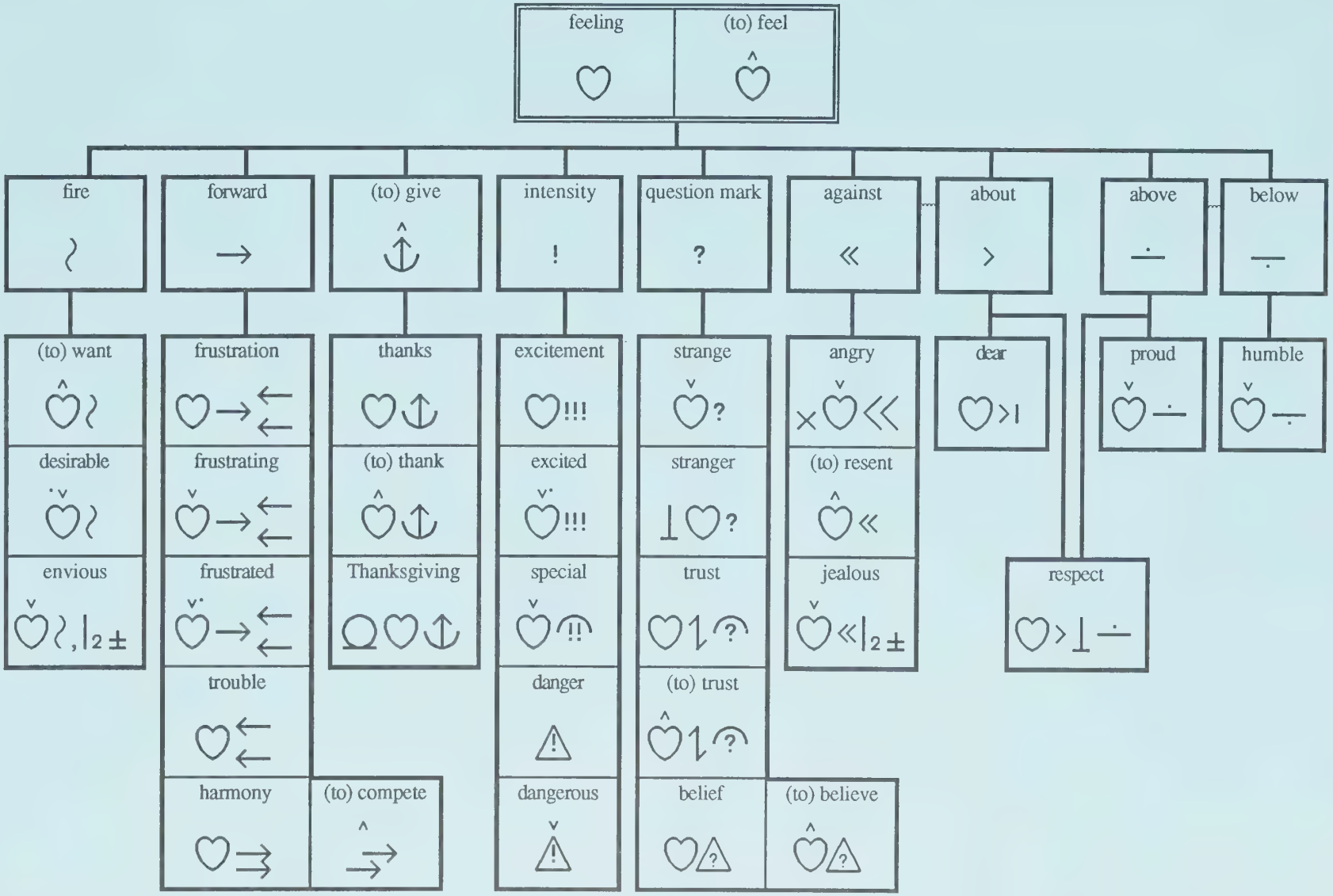


Chart Showing Relationships among Some Blissymbols for Feelings III

Chart Showing Relationships among Some Blissymbols for Feelings IV



Things We Do

FEELING AND EMOTION

Emotional Actions



feel (to)
(feeling + action indicator)



want (to), desire (to)
(feeling + fire + action indicator)



enjoy (to)
(happiness + action indicator)



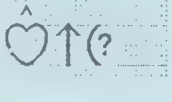
laugh (to)
(happiness + mouth + action indicator)



joke (to)
(to say + comma + funny + action indicator)



smile (to), grin (to)
(happy + face + action indicator)



hope (to)
(happy + future + question mark + action indicator)



thank (to)
(thanks + action indicator)



like (to)
(goodness + action indicator)



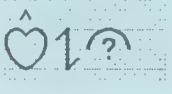
love (to)
(love + action indicator)



believe (to)
(belief + action indicator)



surprise (to)
(feeling + two intensity symbols + action indicator)



trust (to)
(trust + action indicator)



tease (to)
(to act + upset + action indicator)



amuse (to), entertain (to)
(to give + happiness + action indicator)



comfort (to), console (to)
(to give + peace + action indicator)



rest (to)
(rest + action indicator)



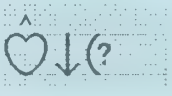
miss (to), lose (to)
(loss + action indicator)



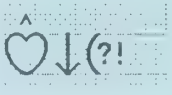
dislike (to), hate (to) (Hebrew)
(dislike + action ind.)



hate (to)
(opposite meaning + to love + action indicator)



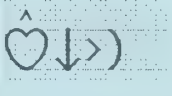
fear (to), afraid (to be), dread (to)
(afraid + action indicator)



terrified (to be), terror (to feel)
(to fear + action indicator)



terrorize (to)
(to cause + to feel terror + action indicator)



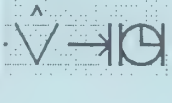
regret (to)
(sorry + action indicator)



resent (to)
(feeling + against + action indicator)



cry (to), weep (to)
(eye + rain + action indicator)

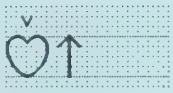


patient (to be)
(patience + action indicator)

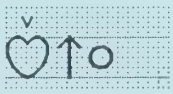
Things We Do

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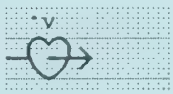
Describing Emotions



happy, glad, gladly, happily
(happiness + description ind.)



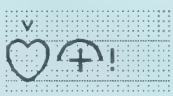
funny, humorous
(to laugh + description ind.)



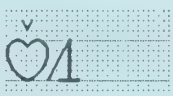
lovable
(to love + description before the fact ind.)



desirable
(to want + description before the fact indicator)



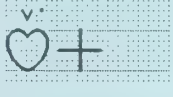
nice
(feeling + correct + description indicator)



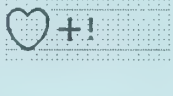
kind, kindly
(feeling + help + description indicator)



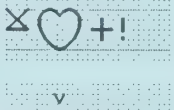
safe, safely, secure, securely
(safety + description indicator)



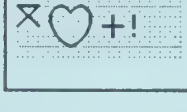
lucky, fortunate
(luck + description after the fact ind.)



good, well
(goodness + description indicator)



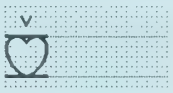
better
(more + good + description indicator)



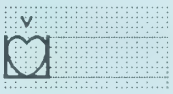
best
(most + good + description indicator)



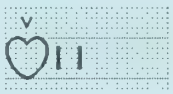
comfortable, restful
(to rest + desc. ind.)



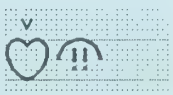
peaceful, serene
(peace + description indicator)



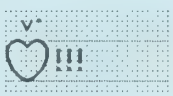
free, freely
(freedom + description indicator)



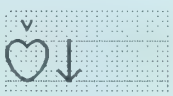
intimate, close
(intimacy + description indicator)



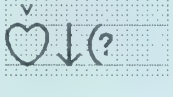
special
(feeling + important + description indicator)



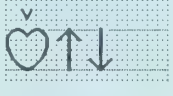
excited
(excitement + description after the fact ind.)



sad, unhappy, sadly, unhappily
(sadness + desc. ind.)



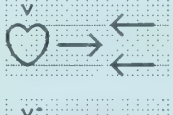
afraid, scared, frightened
(sad + future + question mark + desc.ind.)



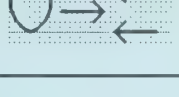
upset
(feeling + up and down + desc. ind.)



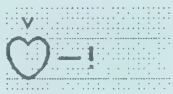
anxious, anxiously
(anxiety + desc. ind.)



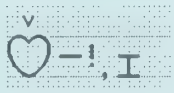
frustrating
(frustration + description indicator)



frustrated
(frustration + description after the fact ind.)



bad, wrong
(feeling + negative + description indicator)



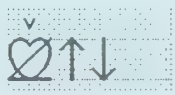
naughty
(bad + comma + little + desc. ind.)



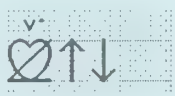
naughty
(feeling + incorrect + description indicator)



uncomfortable
(comfort + to cancel + description ind.)



embarrassing
(embarrassment + description indicator)



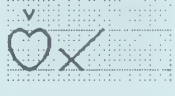
embarrassed
(embarrassment + description after the fact indicator)



proud
(feeling + above + description indicator)



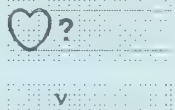
humble, meek
(feeling + inferior + description indicator)



mean, cruel
(feeling + sharp + description indicator)



lonely, lonesome
(feeling + minus + person + desc. ind.)



strange
(feeling + question mark + desc. ind.)

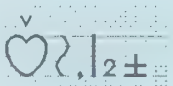


angry, angrily, mad
(much + feeling + opposition + desc. ind.)

Things We Do

FEELING AND EMOTION

Describing Emotions



envious
(to want + comma + other + to have + description ind.)



jealous
(to resent + other + to have + description indicator)



private
(to close + public + description indicator)



public
(open + public + description indicator)



alone, just, only, solitary
(to be + 1 + description indicator)



dangerous
(danger + description indicator)



guilty
(guilt + description indicator)



sweet
(metaphor + sweet + description indicator)

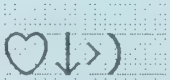
Related Symbols



dear
(feeling + toward)



that's too bad (Hebrew)
(sad + about)



sorry
(sadness + about + past)



attention
(eye + two intensity symbols)



careful
(combination of to observe *and* attention + desc. ind.)



wow!
(to speak + good + description indicator)



ugh!, yuk!
(to speak + bad + description indicator)

Sensation



pain, suffering
(feeling + sick)



painful, painfully, sore
(pain + description indicator)



hurt (to), pain (to feel), suffer (to)
(pain + action indicator)



injure (to), hurt (to)
(to cause + pain + action indicator)



cramp, spasm
(pain + muscle)



ache
(pain + to continue)



hungry
(feeling + minus + food + description indicator)



thirsty
(feeling + minus + drink + description indicator)

Expanding the Vocabulary Using Word Synonyms

Synonyms may be substituted for the word(s) associated with any symbol in the BCI Standard Vocabulary. New word synonyms must be derived from the meaning represented by the symbol not the associated word(s) alone. Cultural and regional variations, colloquial forms, a user's age and maturity level may influence one's choice of synonyms. Examples:

Interjections	Regional/Colloquial Forms	Age/Maturity Level	
wow! super! great! neat! brilliant! (UK) bonzer! (Aus)	sad, blue, down	grandmother, grandma, gran, granny, nan, nana	buttocks, bottom, bum, rear
			
(to speak + good [well] + description indicator)	(feeling + down + description indicator)	(mother + parent)	(standing person + pointer, to buttocks)
ugh! yuk! ick! disgusting! gross!	forest, woods, bush (Canada, Aus)	grandfather, grandpa, gramps, grandad	urine, pee, water
			
(to speak + bad + desc. ind.)	(many + many + tree)	(father + parent)	(waste + genitals)

Description Indicators

Three description indicators are based on a quarter-sized version of **evaluation, value** . The symbol represents a cone balancing unsteadily on its point. Charles Bliss wrote that human evaluations are unreliable because they vary with each individual.

description indicator	description before the fact indicator	description after the fact indicator
		
The description indicator creates the symbol equivalents of *adjectives* or *adverbs*. It is the form of description most commonly used in the published BCI Standard Vocabulary.	The description before the fact indicator represents an evaluation made *before* an action takes place. The dot comes *before* **evaluation.**	The description after the fact indicator represents an evaluation made *after* an action takes place. The dot comes *after* **evaluation.**
exciting, excitingly	**excitable**	**excited, excitedly**
		

Things We Need

CLOTHING



cloth, fabric, material, net
(pictograph: woven threads)



handkerchief
(cloth + nose)



clothing, clothes, garment
(cloth + protection)



dress (to), wear (to)
(clothing + action indicator)



pants, jeans, slacks, trousers
(clothing + leg)



shorts
(trousers + comma + short)



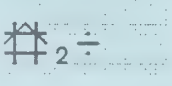
shirt, blouse
(clothing + chest)



dress
(clothing + woman)



skirt
(dress + pointer, to skirt)



suit
(clothing + 2 + part)



underwear, underclothes
(clothing + under)



underpants, briefs, panties
(pants + under)



undershirt
(shirt + under)



slip, petticoat
(dress + under)



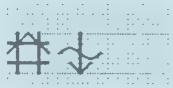
bra, brassiere
(clothing + breasts)



stocking(s), pantyhose, sock(s), tights
(clothing + pointers)



coat, jacket, jumper, sweater
(clothing + over)



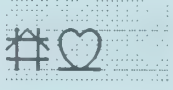
raincoat
(clothing + rain)



snowsuit, winter clothing
(clothing + snow)



scarf
(clothing + neck)



dressing gown, robe, housecoat
(clothing + comfort)



pyjamas, night-gown, nightie (Aus), pajamas
(clothing + to sleep)



swimsuit, bathing suit
(clothing + comma + to swim)



dhoti, lungi
(clothing + around + man) (India)



sari
(clothing + around + woman) (India)



costume, disguise
(clothing + make believe)



dress up (to), disguise (to)
(costume + action indicator)



hat, cap, hood
(protection + head)



helmet
(hat + intensity)



earmuffs
(protection + ear)



glove(s), mitt(s), mitten(s)
(protection + hand)



shoe(s)
(protection + foot)



sandal(s)
(shoe(s) + comma + open)



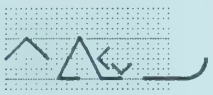
slipper(s)
(shoe(s) + comma + house)



boot(s)
(protection + pointers, to leg and foot)

Things We Need

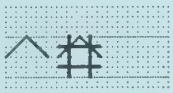
CLOTHING



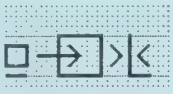
ski boot(s)
(boot(s) + ski)



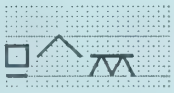
bib
(protection + chest)



apron, coverall, smock, overall
(protection + clothing)

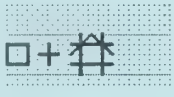


diaper, nappy (UK)
(absorbent material + comb. of buttocks *and* genitals)



leather
(material + animal skin)

Accessories



accessory
(thing + plus + clothing)



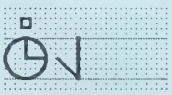
decoration, ornament
(thing + plus + beautiful)



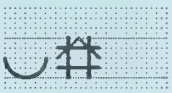
fastener, velcro, zipper
(thing + to fasten + clothing)



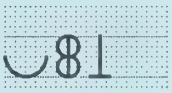
button, gripper, snap
(disc + clothing)



watch, wristwatch
(clock + hand + thing indicator)



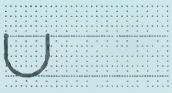
pocket
(container + clothing)



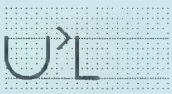
purse, pocketbook, wallet
(container + money + person)



handbag
(pictograph)



sack, bag
(pictograph)



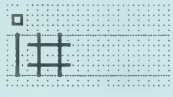
backpack, rucksack
(sack + back)



sleeping bag
(sack + to sleep)



bow
(pictograph)



ribbon
(linear thing + cloth + thing indicator)



tie, necktie
(linear thing + neck + thing indicator)



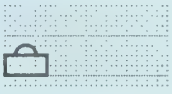
belt, sash
(linear thing + waist + thing indicator)



strap, string, velcro
(linear thing + to fasten + thing ind.)



cane, stick, walking stick
(linear thing + to walk + thing ind.)



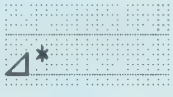
baggage, luggage, suitcase
(pictograph)



umbrella
(pictograph)



ring
(pictograph)



jewel
(stone + to shine)



fan
(pictograph)



badge
(pictograph)

Things We Need

CLOTHING

Making and Caring for Clothing



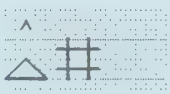
clothing, clothes, garment
(cloth + protection)



cloth, fabric, material, net
(pictograph: woven threads)



make (to), manufacture (to)
(creation [modified] + action indicator)



weave (to)
(to make + cloth + action indicator)



crochet (to)
(to make + cloth + hook + act. ind.)



knit (to)
(to make + cloth + 2 + linear thing + thing ind.+ act. ind.)



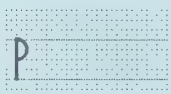
wool
(material + sheep)



scissors
(pictograph)



cut (to)
(scissors + action indicator)



needle
(pictograph)



sew (to)
(needle + action indicator)



sewing machine
(machine + to sew)



wash (to), bathe (to)
(sink + action indicator)



washable
(to wash + description before the fact indicator)



washing machine, clothes washer
(machine + to wash + clothing)



iron
(pictograph)



iron (to)
(iron + action indicator)



ironing board
(table + iron)

Compound Symbols

Compound symbols are constructed of two or more meaning components. Some compound symbols are *superimposed:*

protection		cloth		clothing
	plus		becomes	

Other compound symbols are *sequenced:*

protection		chest		bib
	plus		becomes	

In *sequenced compound symbols* the symbol that represents the superordinate category is called a *classifier* and comes first. *Modifiers* that further define meaning follow the *classifier.*

dress



(clothing + woman)

Exceptions

The following symbols are exceptions and *precede* the classifier:

opposite meaning	group of	more	most	minus, without	part of	metaphor
						

Examples:

(to) lose	word	unemployment
		
(opposite meaning + to win + action indicator)	(part of + language)	(without + work)

Things We Need

FOOD



food
(mouth + earth [half-sized])

Eating



eat (to)
(food + action indicator)



feed (to)
(to give + food + action indicator)



bite (to)
(teeth + action indicator)



chew (to)
(many + to bite + action indicator)



digestion
(food + through)



digest (to)
(digestion + action indicator)



diet
(plan + to eat)



diet (to)
(to eat + plan + action indicator)



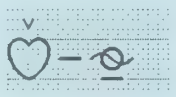
taste
(nose + mouth)



taste (to)
(taste + action indicator)



hungry
(feeling + minus + food + description indicator)



thirsty
(feeling + minus + drink + description indicator)

Food from Animals



meat
(food + animal)



beef
(food + bovine)



veal
(food + calf)



lamb, mutton
(food + sheep)



pork, ham
(food + pig)



bacon
(pork + linear thing + thing indicator)



meatball
(meat + ball)



sausage, frankfurter, hot dog
(meat + long)



fish
(food + fish)



chicken, poultry
(food + bird)



turkey
(food + bird + big)



duck
(food + duck)



goose
(food + goose)



egg
(pictograph)



egg
(seed + life)

Sweets



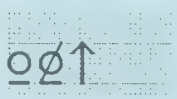
dessert
(food + end)



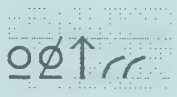
pie, tart
(food + protection)



sweet
(taste + up + description indicator)



sweet (a)
(food + sweet) (UK)

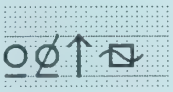


halvah
(food + sweet + grain)

Things We Need

FOOD

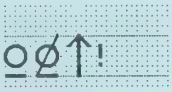
Sweets



ice cream, sherbet
(food + sweet + ice)



ice cream cone
(pictograph)



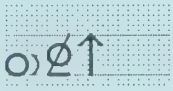
candy
(food + sweet + intensity)



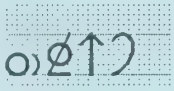
chocolate
(food + powder + brown)



honey
(food + flower)



cookie, biscuit
(disc + sweet)



hamentasch (Hebrew)
(cookie + ear)

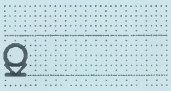


soufganiya, Chanukah cookie (Heb.)
(disc + Chanukah)

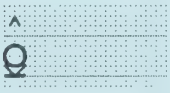


cake
(bread + sweet)

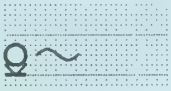
Spreads



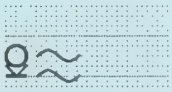
spread
(combination of food *and* on)



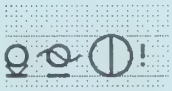
spread (to)
(spread + action indicator)



sauce
(combination of food *and* on + liquid)



margarine
(spread + oil)



butter
(spread + cream)



honey
(spread + flower)



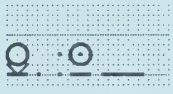
jam, jelly, marmalade, preserves
(spread + fruit)



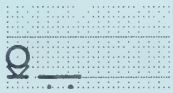
tahini, sesame seed spread
(spread + seed + white)



hummus
(spread + bean)



chocolate spread
(spread + chocolate [contraction])



peanut butter
(spread + seed)

Ingredients



flour
(powder + grain)



cornmeal
(powder + corn)



milk
(drink + life)



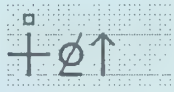
cream
(milk + intensity)



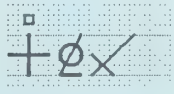
oil
(two parallel liquid symbols)



flavouring, condiment, seasoning
(addition + taste + thing ind.)



sugar, sweetener
(combination of flavouring *and* sweet + thing indicator)



vinegar
(combination of flavouring *and* sharp + thing indicator)



pepper
(combination of seasoning *and* hot + thing indicator)



salt
(crystal + sea)



chocolate flavouring, cocoa powder
(comb. of flavouring *and* chocolate [contraction])

Things We Need

FOOD

Prepared Foods



sandwich
(food + between + bread)



frozen food
(food + ice)



pizza
(food + pictograph of pizza divided into pieces)



polenta
(food + cornmeal)



spaghetti
(food + flour + linear thing + thing indicator)



meatball
(meat + ball)



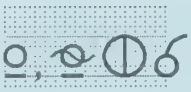
foodball
(food + ball)



falafel
(food + ball + bean)



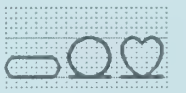
yogurt
(food + comma + milk)



fruit yogurt
(yogurt + fruit)



bread, loaf of bread
(pictograph)



challah (Hebrew)
(bread + Sabbath)



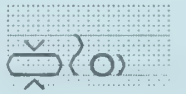
matzo (Hebrew)
(bread + low)



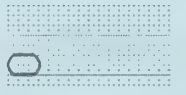
pita
(pictograph)



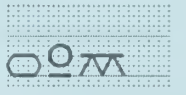
toast
(bread + two pointers, to top and bottom + fire)



roti, chapati
(toast + disc)



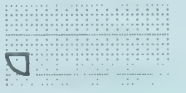
roll, bun
(bread [half-sized])



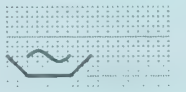
hamburger
(roll + meat)



hot dog, frankfurter
(roll + meat + long)



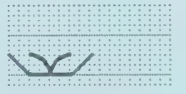
cheese
(pictograph)



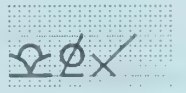
soup, broth
(dish + liquid)



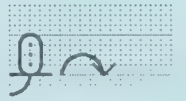
cereal
(dish + cereal)



salad
(combination of lettuce *and* dish)



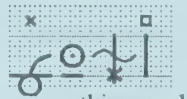
sauerkraut
(cabbage + sour)



popcorn
(corn + to jump)



potato chips, crisps, potato crisps (UK)
(potato + disc + plural indicator)



french fries, chips (UK)
(potato + linear. thing + pl. ind. + thing ind.)

Blissymbol Synonyms

Certain Blissymbols may be inappropriate for some users due to geographic, cultural, developmental or social factors. BCI has developed Blissymbol synonyms in response to this fact.

honey	honey
	
(spread + flower: spread obtained from the nectar of flowers)	(food + flower: food obtained from the nectar of flowers)

Rationale: Honey is used as a spread in some cultures but as a sugar substitute or sweetener in others.

Things We Need

FOOD

Fruits

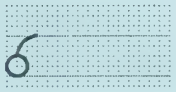
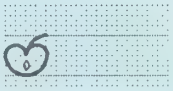
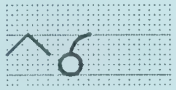
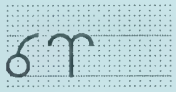
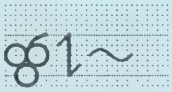
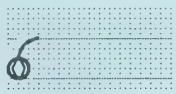
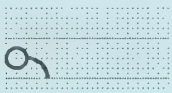
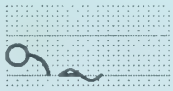
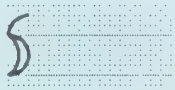
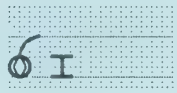
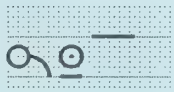
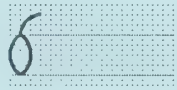
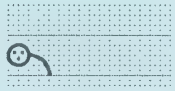
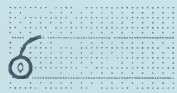
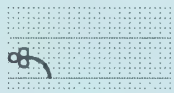
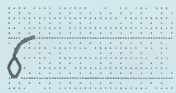
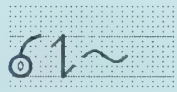
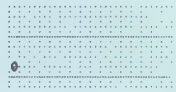
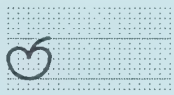
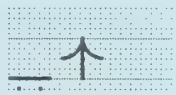
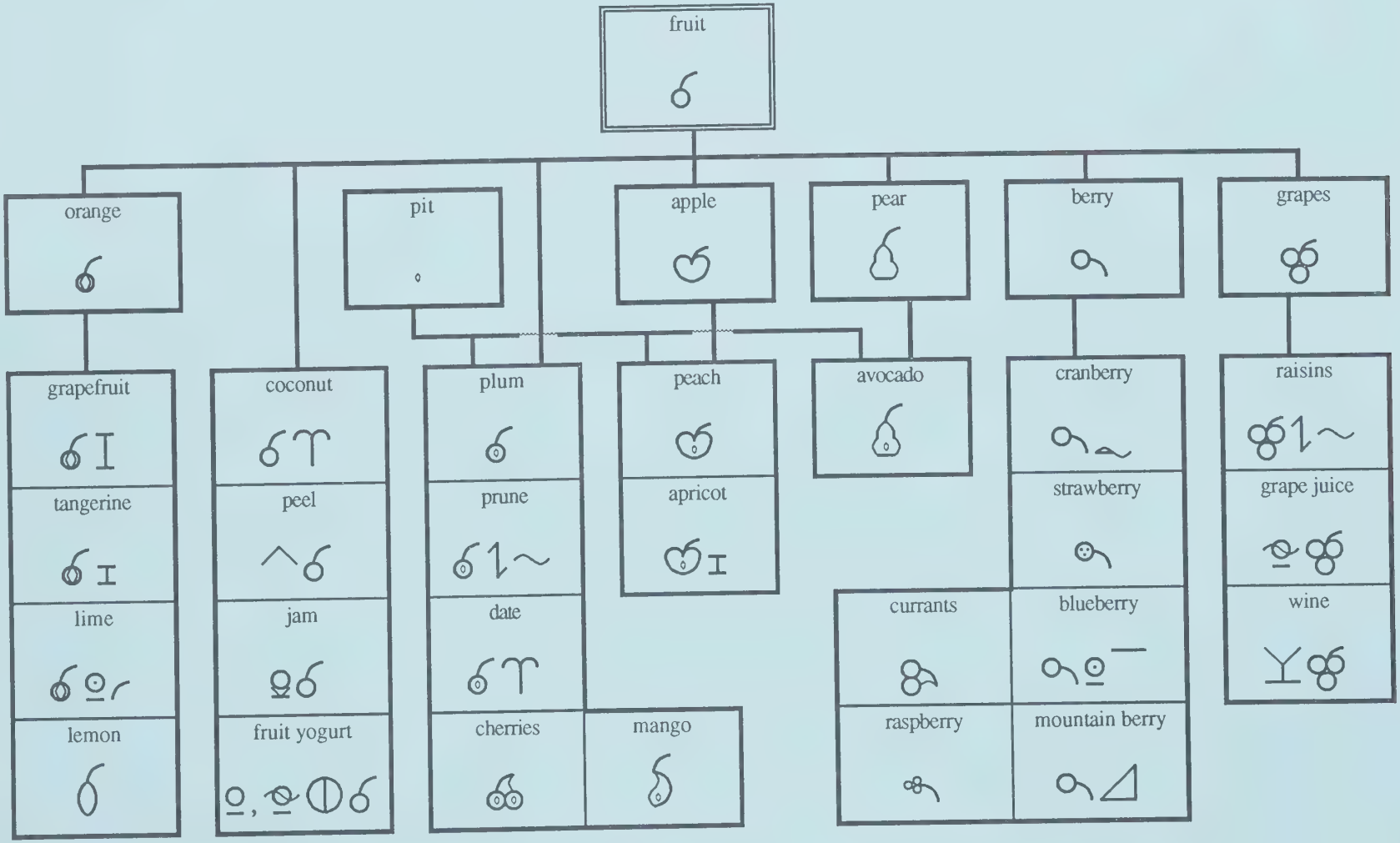
 **fruit** (pictograph)	 **cherries** (pictograph)	 **peach, nectarine** (pictograph with stem + pit)
 **peel** (protection + fruit)	 **grapes** (pictograph)	 **apricot** (pictograph with stem + pit + small)
 **coconut** (fruit + palm tree)	 **raisins, currants** (grapes + dry)	 **pear** (pictograph with stem)
 **orange, citrus fruit** (pictograph of fruit with segments)	 **berry** (pictograph)	 **avocado** (pictograph with stem + pit)
 **grapefruit** (citrus fruit + big)	 **cranberry** (berry + bog)	 **banana** (pictograph with stem)
 **tangerine, clementine, mandarin** (citrus fruit + little)	 **mountain berry, cowberry, lingonberry** (berry + mountain)	 **mango** (pictograph with stem + pit)
 **lime** (citrus fruit + green)	 **blueberry** (berry + blue)	 **melon** (pictograph with stem, showing thick rind)
 **lemon** (pictograph with stem)	 **strawberry** (berry, with seeds showing on outside)	 **pineapple** (pictograph with stem and leaves)
 **plum, drupe** (fruit + pit)	 **raspberry, blackberry, compound berry** (pictograph)	 **olive** (pictograph of oval shaped fruit with stem)
 **prune** (plum + dry)	 **currants** (pictograph of cluster of currants)	 **pit, stone** (pictograph)
 **date** (fruit + pit + palm tree)	 **apple** (pictograph with stem)	 **nut** (seed + tree)

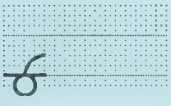
Chart Showing the Relationships among Some Blissymbols for Fruits



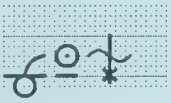
Things We Need

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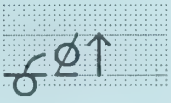
Vegetables



vegetable (below ground)
(combination of earth *and* fruit)



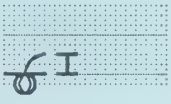
potato
(vegetable (below ground) + white)



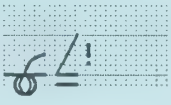
sweet potato, yam
(vegetable (below ground) + sweet)



onion
(combination of vegetable (below ground) *and* bulb)



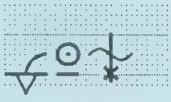
green onion, scallion, spring onion (UK)
(onion + little)



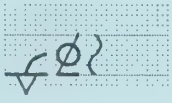
garlic
(comb.: veg. (below ground) *and* veg. (bulb) + smell + intensity)



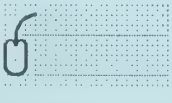
carrot
(combination of veg. (below ground) *and* wedge shape)



parsnip
(vegetable (wedge-shaped) + white)



horseradish
(vegetable (wedge-shaped) + hot)



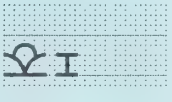
pepper
(pictograph with stem)



mushroom
(pictograph)



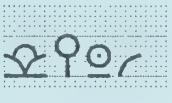
cabbage
(pictograph incorporating symbol for **leafy vegetable**)



brussels sprout(s)
(cabbage + little)



cauliflower
(cabbage + flower)



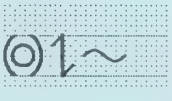
broccoli
(cabbage + flower + green)



bean
(pictograph: cross section of bean in pod)



string bean, green bean, runner bean,wax bean
(bean + long)



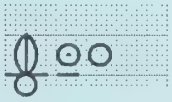
dried bean, chick-pea, kidney bean, pinto bean
(bean + dry)



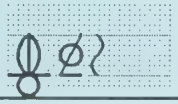
peas
(pictograph: cross section of two peas in a pod)



turnip, rutabaga
(combination of vegetable (below ground) *and* leaf)



beet
(vegetable (large-leafed) + red)



radish
(vegetable (large-leafed) + hot)



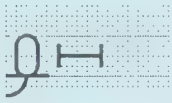
vegetable (above ground)
(comb. of earth *and* fruit [upside down])



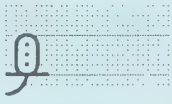
tomato
(vegetable (above ground) + red)



eggplant
(vegetable (cylinder-shaped) + purple)



cucumber
(vegetable (cylinder-shaped) + long)



corn
(vegetable (cylinder-shaped) + dots)



celery
(comb. of veg. (above ground) *and* picto. of cluster of stalks)



squash, pumpkin
(comb. of veg. (above ground) *and* pictograph of thick rind)



grain, cereal
(pictograph: two stalks of grain)



rice
(grain + water)

Chart Showing Relationships among Some Blissymbols for Vegetables

Things We Need

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Drinking



water, fluid, liquid
(symbol suggests a wave)



drink, beverage
(liquid + food)



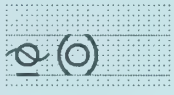
drink (to)
(drink + action indicator)



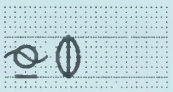
milk
(drink + life)



milk shake
(milk + to shake)



coffee
(drink + bean)



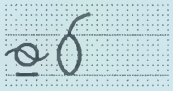
tea
(drink + leaf)



fruit juice
(drink + fruit)



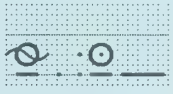
grape juice
(drink + grapes)



lemonade
(drink + lemon)



soda pop, pop, soft drink
(drink + gas)



chocolate drink, cocoa, hot chocolate
(drink + chocolate [contraction])



alcoholic drink, alcoholic beverage, liquor
(pictograph)



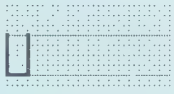
beer
(alcoholic drink + gas)



wine
(alcoholic drink + grapes)



straw, drinking straw
(linear thing + drink + thing indicator)

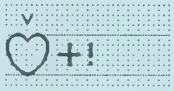


glass, drinking glass
(pictograph)

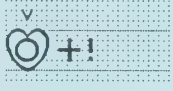


cup, mug
(pictograph)

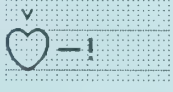
Describing Food and Drink



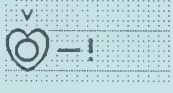
good
(goodness + description indicator)



wow!
(to speak + good + description indicator)



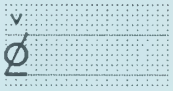
bad
(feeling + negative + description indicator)



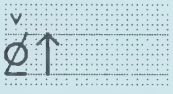
ugh!, yuk!
(to speak + bad + description indicator)



all gone
(all + to take away)



tasty, appetizing, delicious
(taste + description indicator)



sweet
(taste + up + description indicator)



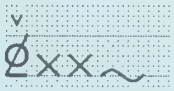
bitter
(taste + down + description indicator)



sharp
(taste + sharp + description indicator)



hot, spicey
(taste + fire + description indicator)



salty
(taste + sea + description indicator)



rich
(taste + intensity + description indicator)



fresh
(taste + new + description indicator)



raw, uncooked
(without + to cook + description indicator)

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Describing Food and Drink



hot
(heat + description indicator)



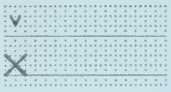
cold
(opposite meaning + hot + description indicator)



cold
(ice + two pointers + description indicator)



icy, frozen
(ice + description indicator)



much, many, very
(multiplication [half-sized] + description indicator)



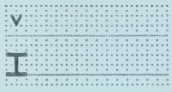
more
(horiz. reference line on midline + much/many + desc. ind.)



most, maximum
(horiz. reference line on skyline + much/many + desc. ind.)



too much, too many
(over + much/many + description indicator)



little, small
(vertical line bounded by midline and earthline + desc. ind.)



fewer, less
(opposite meaning + more + description indicator)

Occasions When Food is Eaten



breakfast
(meal + 1)



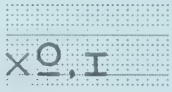
lunch, dinner
(meal + 2)



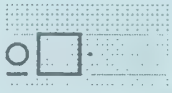
supper, dinner
(meal + 3)



meal
(group of + food)



snack
(meal + comma + little)



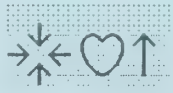
picnic
(food + outside)



ten o'clock eating break (Israel)
(food + time + 10)



four o'clock eating break (Israel)
(food + time + 4)



party, festival
(gathering + happy)

Use of the Comma

A **comma** is inserted between the meaning parts of a *few* compound symbols. The separation of meaning parts helps one to interpret the total meaning of the symbol.

yogurt



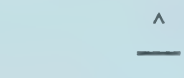
(food + comma + milk)

snack



(meal + comma + little)

(to) clean

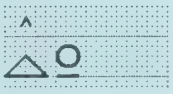


(to remove + comma + dirty + action indicator)

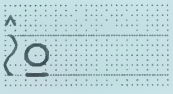
Things We Need

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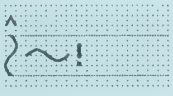
Preparing Food



prepare food (to), cook (to)
(to make + food + action indicator)



cook (to)
(fire + food + action indicator)



boil (to)
(fire + water + intensity + action indicator)



simmer (to), poach (to)
(to cook + water + action indicator)



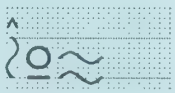
boil (to)
(to cook + water + intensity + action indicator)



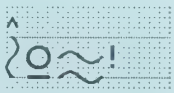
bake (to), cook (to) (Aus), roast (to)
(to cook + enclosure + action indicator)



broil (to), barbecue (to), grill (to)
(to cook + intensity + action indicator)



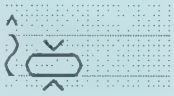
fry (to), saute (to)
(to cook + oil + action indicator)



deep fry (to)
(to fry + intensity + action indicator)



burn (to)
(fire + action indicator)



toast (to)
(fire + bread + pointers, to top and bottom + action ind.)



heat (to)
(heat + action indicator)



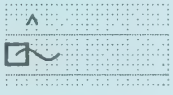
steam (to)
(steam + action indicator)



microwave (to)
(microwave oven + action indicator)



freeze (to), solidify (to)
(water + thing + action indicator)



thaw (to), melt (to)
(thing + water + action indicator)



drain (to), sift (to), strain (to)
(sieve + action indicator)



mix (to), blend (to)
(two curved arrows + action indicator)



mash (to), crush (to)
(forward + food + backward + act. ind)



cut (to)
(knife + action indicator)



chop (to)
(to cut + intensity + action indicator)



pit (to)
(to remove + pit + action indicator)



peel (to)
(to remove + peel + action indicator)

Cooking Equipment



utensil
(tool + food)



dish, plate, platter
(pictograph)



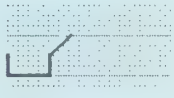
container, bowl, holder, pouch
(pictograph)



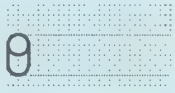
sieve, colander, strainer
(container + downward)



garbage can, rubbish bin (UK),trash can
(container + waste)



pot, kettle, pan
(pictograph)



can, cylinder
(pictograph)



knife
(pictograph)



fork
(pictograph)



spoon
(pictograph)

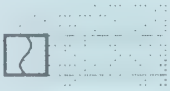


toaster
(machine + to toast)

Things We Need

FOOD

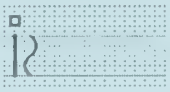
Cooking Equipment



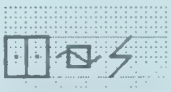
stove, oven
(fire + enclosure)



microwave oven
(enclosure + electromagnetic radiation)



match
(linear thing + fire + thing indicator)



refrigerator, fridge
(cupboard + ice + electricity)



apron, coverall, smock, overall
(protection + clothing)



recipe
(page + to prepare food)

Things Needed for Eating



tablecloth
(cloth + table)



napkin, serviette
(cloth + to eat)



bib
(protection + chest)



glassware
(generalization + glass)



glass, drinking glass
(pictograph)



cup, mug
(pictograph)



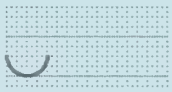
pitcher, jug, kettle, pot
(pictograph)



bottle, flask
(pictograph)



thermos, flask (UK), cooler
(container + same + temperature)



container, bowl, holder, pouch
(pictograph)



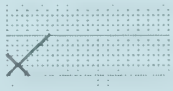
dish, plate, platter
(pictograph)



tray
(pictograph)



cutlery
(generalization + knife)



knife
(pictograph)



fork
(pictograph)



spoon
(pictograph)



straw, drinking straw
(linear thing + drink + thing indicator)

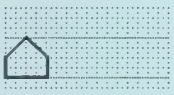
Substitution of Classifiers

In a some instances there is more than one symbol to represent the *classifier* in a *compound symbol*. **Library**, which is a collection of books, can be housed in a **building** or a **room**. Following this example, it is possible for users and instructors to create new forms of a given symbol by substituting appropriate related symbols for the *classifier* within *compound sequenced symbols*.

Symbol in the BCI Vocabulary: **library**	Symbol in the BCI Vocabulary: **library**	Symbol in the BCI Vocabulary: **concert hall**	Possible Related Symbol: **concert hall**	Possible Related Symbol: **concert hall**
				
(building + book)	(room + book)	(building + music)	(room + music)	(public room + music)

Things We Need

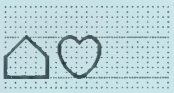
BUILDINGS



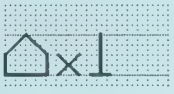
house, building, dwelling, residence
(pictograph)



live (to), dwell (to), reside (to)
(house + action indicator)



home
(house + feeling)



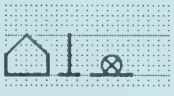
residential institution, group home, hostel
(house + many + person)



apartment, flat, unit (Aus)
(house + inside + house)



castle, palace
(house + royal)



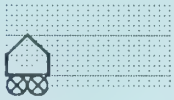
hotel, motel
(house + person + to travel)



tent
(house + cloth)



cabin, cottage, hut
(house + little)



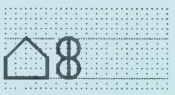
camper, caravan, trailer
(combination of house *and* vehicle)



church, mosque, temple
(building + God)



hospital, clinic
(building + medical)



bank
(building + money)



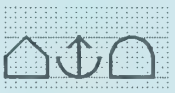
post office
(building + letter)



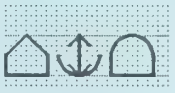
library
(building + book)



prison, jail
(building + barred window)



school
(building + to teach)



university
(building + to exchange + knowledge)



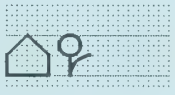
resource centre
(building + for + to exchange + knowledge)



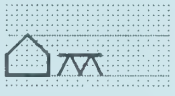
Blissymbolics Resource Centre
(Resource Centre + about + Blissymbolics)



day care centre
(building + day care)



greenhouse, glasshouse, hothouse
(building + plant)



barn, stable, shed (Aus)
(house + animal)



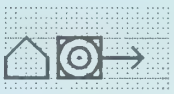
factory, plant
(building + to make)



garage
(building + two wheels)



showplace, theatre
(building + to see)



movie theatre, cinema
(building + projector)



concert hall
(building + music)

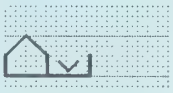


museum
(building + thing + interesting + plural indicator)

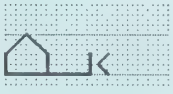


art gallery, gallery
(building + work of art + thing indicator)

Related Symbols



yard
(house + enclosure [modified] + pointer)



fence, wall
(yard + pointer, to fence)



street
(ground + pointer + house)

Things We Need

BUILDINGS

Related Symbols



village
(group of + building)



city
(many + many + building)



moshav
(village + to work + together) (Israel)



kibbutz
(village + to work + to live + together) (Israel)



shopping centre, mall, plaza
(many + public room)

Parts of Buildings



protection
(symbol looks like a roof)



roof, cover
(protection + thing indicator)



chimney
(house with chimney + pointer)



window
(pictograph)



window (barred)
(pictograph)



door
(pictograph)



stairs, steps
(pictograph)



elevator, lift (Aus/UK)
(room + up and down)



mailbox, letterbox (Aus), postbox (UK)
(enclosure + letter)

The Thing Indicator – Abstract and Concrete Symbols

Noun symbols are generally unmarked. In some instances the **thing indicator** is used to create a concrete noun when both *abstract* and *concrete* meanings of a symbol are possible.

protection	roof, cover	feeling	heart	temperature	thermometer
					
(symbol looks like a roof)	(protection + thing indicator)	(symbol is the familiar heart shape)	(feeling + thing indicator)	(symbol suggests a thermometer)	(temperature + thing indicator)

Quantitative Meanings

One or more half-sized multiplication symbols may be used with other symbols to create compound symbols with *collective meanings* or meanings involving *quantity*. When used this way the half-sized multiplication symbol does not have an indicator.



group of, much/many



very much, very many
(many + many)



village
(group of + building)



city
(many + many + building)



group
(group of + person)



public (the)
(many + many + person)

Things We Need

ROOMS



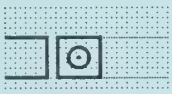
enclosure
(pictograph: an enclosed space)



room
(enclosure, open on the left side)



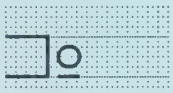
bathroom, washroom
(room + bath)



bedroom
(room + to sleep)



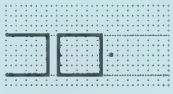
living room, lounge, sitting room
(room + chair)



dining room
(room + to eat)



kitchen
(room + to prepare food)



balcony, porch, veranda
(room + outside)

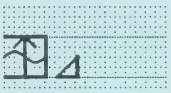
Special Purpose Rooms



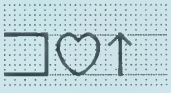
shower
(room + water + down)



steam bath
(room + steam)



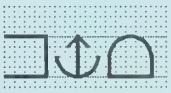
sauna
(steam bath + rock)



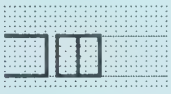
recreation centre, moadan (Israel)
(room + happiness)



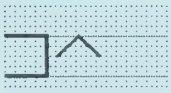
storeroom
(room + to hold)



classroom
(room + to teach)



library
(room + book)



shelter, refuge
(room + protection)



underground shelter
(shelter + under)



gym, gymnasium
(room + activity + healthy)



office
(room + work + pencil)

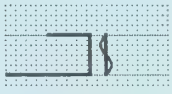
Public Rooms



public room
(room, with extended floor line)



laundromat, launderette
(public room + to wash + clothing)



clinic
(public room + medical)



baby clinic
(clinic + baby)



family planning clinic
(public room + plan + conception)



barber shop, beauty shop
(public room + hair)



store, shop
(public room + business)



grocery store, food store, supermarket
(store + food)



restaurant, cafeteria
(public room + to eat)



cafe, coffee house
(public room + snack)



bar, pub
(public room + alcoholic drink)

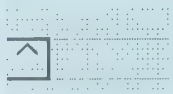


shopping centre, mall, plaza
(many + public room)

Things We Need

ROOMS

Parts of Rooms



ceiling
(room + pointer, to ceiling)



wall
(room + pointer, to wall)



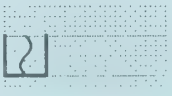
floor
(room + pointer, to floor)



window
(pictograph)



door
(pictograph)



fireplace
(fire + open)



closet, cupboard, wardrobe
(pictograph)



corner
(room + pointer, to corner)

FURNISHINGS



furniture
(generalization + chair + table)



table, platform, stage
(pictograph)



desk, work table
(table + work)



chair, seat
(pictograph)



rocking chair
(chair + to rock)



bench, pew
(seat + long)



armchair
(pictograph)



couch, chesterfield, sofa
(pictograph)



bed
(pictograph)



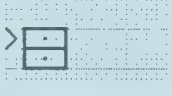
mirror
(reference line + bent arrow)



shelf
(pictograph)



chest of drawers, bureau, dresser
(pictograph)



drawer
(chest of drawers + pointer, to drawer)



cupboard, closet, wardrobe
(pictograph)



curtains, drapes
(pictograph)



floor covering, linoleum
(room + pointer, to floor)



rug, carpet, mat
(cloth + floor covering)



alpana
(design + floor) (India)



decoration, ornament
(thing + plus + beautiful)



picture
(eye + enclosure)



ashtray
(container + ashes)

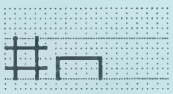


candle
(linear thing + fire + light + thing indicator)

Things We Need

FURNISHINGS

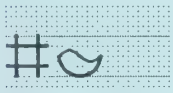
Linens and Bedding



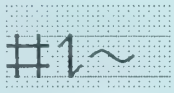
tablecloth
(cloth + table)



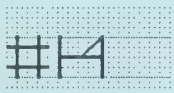
napkin, serviette
(cloth + to eat)



washcloth, flannel (UK)
(cloth + to wash)



towel
(cloth + dry)



sheet, bedclothes, bed linen
(cloth + bed)



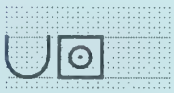
blanket, duvet, quilt
(cloth + protection + bed)



pillow, cushion
(bed + pointer, to pillow)

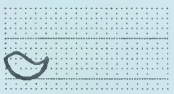


pillowcase
(cloth + pillow)



sleeping bag
(sack + to sleep)

Fixtures and Appliances



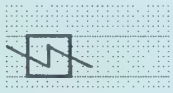
sink, basin, bath (UK), bathtub
(container + water)



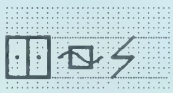
toilet
(seat + water)



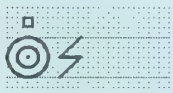
stove, furnace, heater, oven
(fire + enclosure)



microwave oven
(enclosure + electromagnetic radiation)



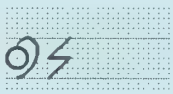
refrigerator, fridge
(cupboard + ice + electricity)



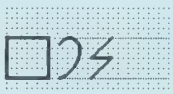
electric light, lamp
(light + electricity + thing indicator)



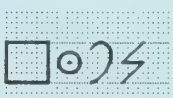
flashlight, lantern
(light + hand + thing indicator)



telephone
(mouth + ear + electricity)



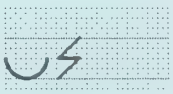
radio
(enclosure + ear + electricity)



television
(enclosure + eye + ear + electricity)



clock, timepiece
(time + thing indicator)



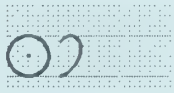
battery
(container + electricity)



plug
(into + electricity + thing indicator)



electric wire, electric cord
(linear thing + electricity + thing ind.)



record, compact disc
(pictograph of record + ear)



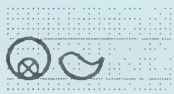
record player, stereo
(machine + record)



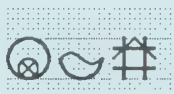
tape recorder,
(machine + to reproduce + ear)



video recorder
(machine + to reproduce + eye + ear)



washer
(machine + to wash)



washing machine, clothes washer
(machine + to wash + clothing)



iron
(pictograph)

Things We Need

TOOLS, MACHINES, AND BUILDING MATERIALS

Tools



tool, instrument
(thing + hand)



switch, handle
(thing + hand)



screw
(symbol suggests path made by the thread of a screw)



screwdriver
(tool + screw)



pliers
(pictograph)



saw
(pictograph)



hammer, gavel, mallet
(pictograph



nail
(pictograph)



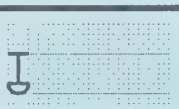
pin
(pictograph)



ruler, measuring stick, tape measure
(to measure + thing indicator)



thermometer
(temperature + thing indicator)



shovel, spade
(pictograph)



pail, bucket
(pictograph)



rake
(comb + garden)



plough
(knife + earth)



broom
(pictograph)



brush
(pictograph)



ladder
(pictograph)



hook, hanger
(pictograph)



flashlight, lantern
(light + hand + thing indicator)



battery
(container + electricity)



plug
(into + electricity + thing indicator)



electric wire, electric cord
(linear thing + electricity + thing ind.)



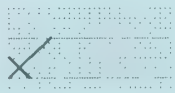
pipe, hose, tube
(pictograph)



needle
(pictograph)



scissors
(pictograph)



knife
(pictograph)



iron
(pictograph)



ironing board
(table + iron)



wheel
(pictograph)



key
(pictograph)



gun, firearm
(pictograph)



handgun, pistol
(gun + small)



rifle, shotgun
(gun + long)



explosive
(thing + four arrows [modified], moving outwards)

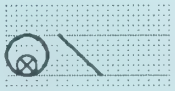
Things We Need

TOOLS, MACHINES, AND BUILDING MATERIALS

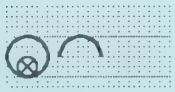
Machines



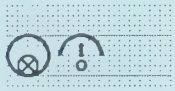
machine, appliance, engine, motor
(sun + wheel)



typewriter, word processor
(machine + to write)



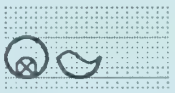
computer
(machine + mind)



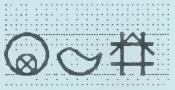
calculator
(machine + to calculate)



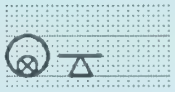
sewing machine
(machine + to sew)



washer
(machine + to wash)



washing machine, clothes washer
(machine + to wash + clothing)



scales
(machine + to weigh)



toaster
(machine + to toast)



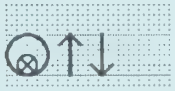
record player, stereo
(machine + record)



tape recorder
(machine + to reproduce + ear)

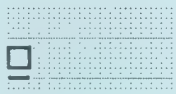


video recorder
(machine + to reproduce + eye + ear)



crane
(machine + up and down)

Building Materials



material, raw material
(thing + earth [half-sized])



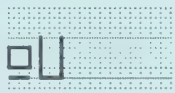
wood, lumber
(material + tree)



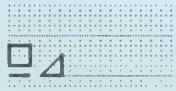
stick, log
(linear thing + tree + thing indicator)



board
(table + pointer, to underside)



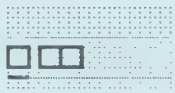
glass
(material + drinking glass)



stone
(material + stone)



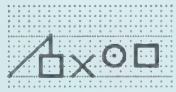
concrete, cement
(material + stone + man-made)



metal
(material + metal)



steel
(material + knife)



plastic
(chemical product + many + shape)

Things We Need

CHEMICAL AND WASTE PRODUCTS

Chemical Products



chemical product
(symbol suggests a chemical retort).



paint, dye
(chemical product + colour + liquid)



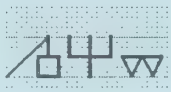
glue, adhesive, paste
(chemical product + to fasten)



plastic
(chemical product + many + shape)



poison
(chemical product + death)



toothpaste
(chemical product + brush + teeth)



medicine, medication
(chemical product + medical)



pill, tablet
(disc + medical)



gasoline, gas, petrol (UK)
(liquid + wheel)



gas
(up + pictograph of a bubble)



fuel
(energy + enclosure)



soap, detergent
(thing + to wash)



crystal
(pictograph)



salt
(crystal + sea)

Waste Products



waste, garbage, rubbish, trash
(thing + to destroy)



ashes
(waste + fire)



pollution
(waste + environment)



dust, powder
(three powder-like dots)



nuclear fallout
(dust + nucleus)

Things We Need

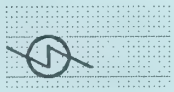
ENERGY



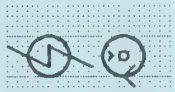
sun
(pictograph)



electromagnetic radiation
(derived from **electricity**)



energy
(sun + electromagnetic radiation)



nuclear energy
(energy + nucleus)



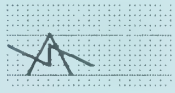
atom
(pictograph of atom + circling pointer)



nucleus
(atom + pointer [modified] to inner nucleus)



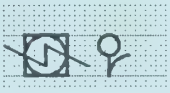
nuclear radiation
(nucleus + two pointers)



power
(The Action + electromagnetic radiation)



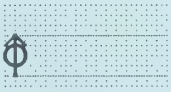
fuel
(energy + enclosure)



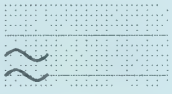
coal
(fuel + plant)



log, stick
(linear thing + tree + thing indicator)



gas
(up + pictograph of a bubble)



oil, lubricant
(two parallel liquid symbols)



gasoline, gas, petrol (UK)
(liquid + wheel)



heat
(fire + two pointers)



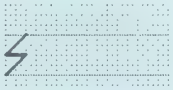
heat (to)
(heat + action indicator)



explosive
(thing + four arrows, moving outwards)



explode (to), blow up (to), burst (to)
(explosive + action indicator)



electricity
(pictograph)



electric, electrical
(electricity + descr. indicator)



battery
(container + electricity)



plug
(into + electricity + thing indicator)



electric wire, electric cord
(linear thing + electricity + thing ind.)

How We View the World

Our Senses

SIGHT



eye
(pictograph)



see (to), look (to)
(eye + action indicator)



blind
(eye + to cross out + description indicator)



visually impaired
(limits + to see + description indicator)



glasses, eye glasses
(pictograph)



clear, transparent
(to see + through + description indicator)



spot, mark
(eye + dot)



attention
(eye + two intensity symbols)



read (to)
(to see + page + action indicator)



picture
(eye + enclosure)



watch (to)
(awake + intensity + action indicator)



watchful, alert
(to watch + description indicator)



search (to)
(to watch + intensity + action indicator)



bright
(light + intensity + description indicator)



dark
(opposite meaning + light + description indicator)

HEARING



ear
(pictograph)



hear (to), listen (to)
(ear + action ind.)



deaf
(ear + to cross out + description indicator)



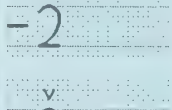
hearing impaired
(limits + to hear + description indicator)



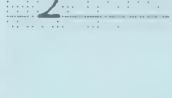
sound
(ear + earth [half-sized])



sound (to)
(sound + action indicator)



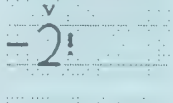
silence
(minus + sound)



silent
(silence + description indicator)



loud, noisy
(sound + intensity + description indicator)



quiet, quietly
(minus + loud + description indicator)



ear mould
(thing + ear)



hearing aid
(aid + ear + electricity + thing indicator

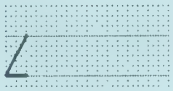


earphones
(pictograph + electricity)

Our Senses

SMELL

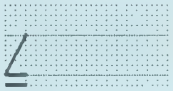
nose (pictograph)



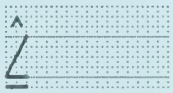
smell (to) (nose + action indicator)



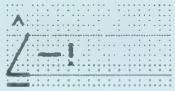
smell, odour (nose + earth [half-sized])



smell (to) (smell + action indicator)



smell bad (to), stink (to) (to smell + negative + action indicator)

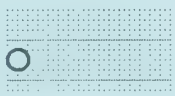


perfume, fragrance (smell + happy)

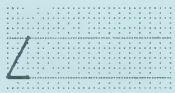


TASTE

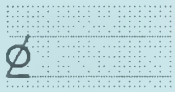
mouth (pictograph)



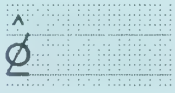
nose (pictograph)



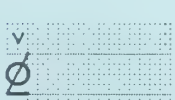
taste (nose + mouth)



taste (to) (taste + action indicator)



tasty, appetizing, delicious (taste + description indicator)



sweet (taste + up + description indicator)



bitter (taste + down + description indicator)



hot, spicey (taste + fire + description indicator)



sharp, acid, sour (taste + sharp + description indicator)



salty (taste + sea + description indicator)



rich (taste + intensity + description indicator)



fresh (taste + new + description indicator)



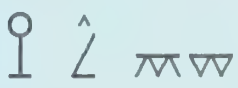
raw, uncooked (without + to cook + description indicator)



Metaphor

Metaphor signals that the "flowery" figure of speech that follows is *metaphorical* and not to be taken literally.

Examples

metaphor	Literal meaning **sweet**	Metaphor **sweet**	Example of a Metaphorical Phrase: **"To smell a rat"**, meaning to sense that something is wrong, would be:
			
(combination of to speak *and* flower [modified] + earth [half-sized])	(taste + up + description indicator: pleasant taste)	(metaphor + sweet + description indicator: "sweet" as in "a sweet child")	(metaphor + to smell + rat)

Our Senses

TOUCH



hand
(pictograph)



finger
(hand + pointer, to finger)



thumb
(hand + pointer, to thumb)



soft
(hand + thumbprint in something soft + description ind.)



hard, firm
(opposite meaning + soft + description indicator)



smooth
(hand + glass + description indicator)



sharp
(knife + description indicator)



touch (to)
(hand + action indicator)



stroke (to)
(hand + back and forth + action indicator)



rub (to)
(hand + back and forth + intensity + action indicator)



catch (to)
(hand + to receive + action indicator)



throw (to)
(hand + to give + intensity + action indicator)



take away (to), remove (to)
(hand + to take away + action ind.)



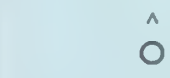
hit (to)
(to touch + two intensity symbols + action indicator)



splash (to)
(to hit + water + action indicator)

Intensity

Intensity is used to *intensify* the meaning of a given symbol *qualitatively*. Multiple intensity symbols heighten meaning progressively.

(to) say	(to) cry out, (to) call	(to) shout	(to) yell, (to) scream
			
(mouth + action indicator)	(to say + intensity)	(to say + two intensity symbols + action indicator: to say forcefully)	(to say + three intensity symbols + action indicator: to say very forcefully)

Classification

COLOUR

colour
(eye + earth [half-sized])

red
(colour + mouth)

blue
(colour + sky)

white
(colour + snow)

pink
(combination of red *and* white)

purple
(combination of red *and* blue)

black
(colour + night)

yellow
(colour + sun)

brown
(colour + earth)

gray, grey
(combination of black *and* white)

orange
(combination of red *and* yellow)

green
(colour + grass)

Colours

In Blissymbolics two series of symbols representing colours are available. To avoid confusion, select one series or the other. Do not mix them.

CKB series

uses a numbering system for most colours, corresponding to the spectrum seen in the rainbow (shown below).

BCI series

contains additional descriptive symbols intended to make the symbol more meaningful, particularly for children (shown above).

colour
(eye + earth [half-sized])

pink
(combination of red *and* white)

green
(colour + 4)

white
(colour + sun: CKB says the sun is white during the day.)

brown
(combination of red *and* black)

blue
(colour + 5)

black
(colour + zero)

orange
(colour + 2)

indigo
(colour + 6)

red
(colour + 1)

yellow
(colour + 3)

violet
(colour + 7)

Classification

LIKENESS AND DIFFERENCE



same, equal
(international mathematical symbol)



equal (to)
(equal + action indicator)



same sound
(same + sound)



compare (to)
(to observe + same + action indicator)



different, another, other
(to cross out + same)



contrast (to)
(to observe + different + action indicator)



similar, like
(near + same)



similar sound, sounds like
(similar + sound)



similar looking, looks similar
(similar + eye)



more
(horiz. reference line on midline + much/ many + desc. ind.)



most, maximum
(horiz. ref. line on skyline + much/ many + desc. ind.)



opposite meaning, opposite of
(combination of up *and* down)



fewer, less
(opposite meaning + more + desc. ind.)



fewest, least,
(opposite meaning + most + desc. ind.)

MEASUREMENT



measurement
(combination of long *and* short)



measure (to)
(measurement + action indicator)



ruler, measuring stick, tape measure
(measurement + thing indicator)



temperature
(symbol suggests a thermometer)



thermometer
(temperature + thing indicator)



weight
(pictograph)



weigh (to)
(weight + action indicator)



scales
(machine + to weigh)



time
(symbol looks like a clock face, suggesting time)



clock, timepiece
(time + thing indicator



calendar
(page + day + month)



full
(container, closed over + description indicator)



empty
(opposite meaning + full + desc. ind.)



limits, limitation
(two reference lines)



infinite, limitless
(without + limits + desc. ind.)



length
(horiz. line bounded by two reference lines [half-sized])



long
(length + description ind.)



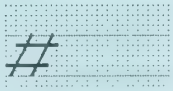
short
(horiz.line [half-sized] bounded by two ref. lines + desc. ind.)

Classification

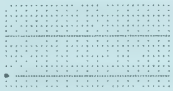
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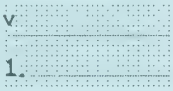
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number
(international symbol)



decimal point
(international mathematical symbol)



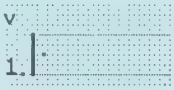
first, primary
(1 + decimal point + description indicator)



second
(2 + decimal point + description indicator)



last, final
(opposite meaning + first + desc. ind.)



next
(first + after + description indicator)



preceding
(opposite meaning + next + desc. ind.)

Using Numbers



mathematics, arithmetic, math
(science + 0 + 1)



count (to)
(number + action indicator)



calculate (to)
(to think + 0 + 1 + action indicator)



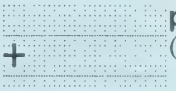
calculator
(machine + to calculate)



addition, gain
(based upon the mathematical symbol)



add (to), gain (to)
(addition + act. ind.)



plus, and, also
(addition [half-sized])



subtraction, loss
(based upon the mathematical symbol)



subtract (to), take away (to)
(subtraction + act. ind.)



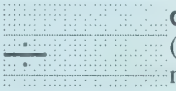
minus, no, without
(subtraction [half-sized])



multiplication
(based upon the mathematical symbol)



multiply (to)
(multiplication + action indicator)



division
(based upon the mathematical symbol)



divide (to)
(division + action indicator)



equal, same
(international mathematical symbol)



problem
(question + difficult)



solve (to)
(to answer + difficult + act. ind.)

Quantity



multitude
(multiplication + thing indicator)



all, everything, total, whole
(multitude + enclosure)



none, nothing
(opposite meaning + all)



all gone
(all + to take away)



each, every
(1 + all)



both
(2 + all)



several
(relation + 2)



only, alone, just, solitary
(to be + 1 + description indicator)



unit, example, sample
(1 + thing indicator)



pair
(2 + thing indicator)

Classification

NUMBERS

Quantity

percent (international mathematical symbol)

part, piece, portion (division [half-sized])

some, any (part + description indicator)

group of, much/many, quantity (multiplication [half-sized])

much, many, very (quantity + description indicator)

more (horiz. reference line on midline + much/many + desc. ind.)

most, maximum (horiz. reference line on skyline + much/many + desc. ind.)

few, little (opposite meaning + much/many + description indicator)

fewer, less (opposite meaning + more + description indicator)

fewest, least (opposite meaning + most + description indicator)

how much ?, how many ? (what + much/many)

enough (minus + more + description indicator)

too much, too many (over + much + description indicator)

Other Mathematical Symbols

angle (international mathematical symbol)

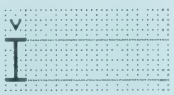
right angle (international mathematical symbol)

parallel (international mathematical symbol)

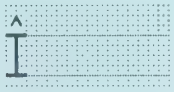
perpendicular (international mathematical symbol)

Classification

SIZE AND WEIGHT



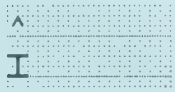
big, large
(vertical. line bounded by two reference lines + desc ind.)



increase (to), enlarge (to)
(big + action indicator)



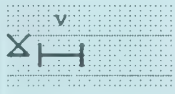
little, small
(vert. line [half-sized] bounded by two ref. lines + desc. ind.)



decrease (to), reduce (to)
(little + action indicator)



long
(length + description indicator)



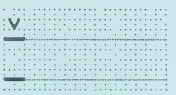
longer
(more + long + description indicator)



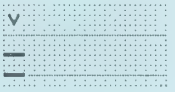
longest
(most + long + description indicator)



short
(horiz.line [half-sized] bounded by two ref. lines + desc. ind.)



high, tall
(two horizontal reference lines [half-sized] + desc. ind.)



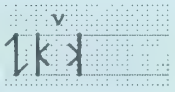
low, short
(two horizontal reference lines [half-sized] + desc. ind.)



limits, limitation
(two reference lines, limiting what lies between them)



wide
(two reference.lines + two pointers + description indicator)



narrow
(opposite meaning + wide + description indicator)



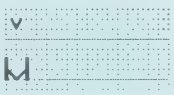
thick, fat
(two reference lines + two pointers + outside desc. ind.)



thin, slim
(two reference lines + two pointers + description ind.)



deep
(two vertical lines + pointer + description indicator)



shallow
(two vertical lines [half-sized] + pointer + description ind.)



measure (to)
(measurement + action indicator)



ruler, measuring stick, tape measure
(measurement + thing indicator)



weight
(pictograph)



weigh (to)
(weight + action indicator)



weight (a)
(weight + thing indicator)



heavy
(weight + down + description indicator)



scales
(machine + to weigh)

Comparative and Superlative

The symbols **more** and **most** may precede any modifier to create *comparative* and *superlative* forms:

bad	worse	worst
		
(feeling + negative + description indicator)	(more + bad + description indicator)	(most + bad + description indicator)

Classification

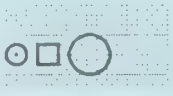
SHAPE



thing, object
(symbol suggests the two dimensional outline of a crystal)



shape, form
(eye + thing)



circle
(shape + circular shape)



round, circular
(circle + description indicator)



crescent
(shape + crescent shape)



oval
(shape + oval shape)



spiral, curl
(shape + spiral shape)



square
(shape + square shape)



square
(square + description indicator)



rectangle
(shape + rectangular shape)



rectangular
(rectangle + description ind.)



diamond
(shape + diamond shape)



triangle
(shape + triangular shape)



triangular
(triangle + description indicator)



enclosure
(pictograph)



opening
(enclosure, open at the top)



open
(opening + description indicator)



shell, crust
(enclosure + thing + pointer, to enclosure)



structure
(enclosure formed of lines and dots)



cube, box
(pictograph)



block, brick (UK)
(pictograph)



solid thing
(two thing symbols, emphasizing that this is a concrete object)



flat
(without + mountain + description ind.)



pyramid
(pictograph)



cone
(pictograph)



disc, disk
(picto.: simplified 3 dimensional drawing of a disc)



cylinder, can
(pictograph)



line, stripe
(symbol is a full-sized vertical line)



linear thing
(line + thing indicator)



linear, straight
(line + description indicator)



curved line, curve
(pictograph)



arrow (bent)
(pictograph)



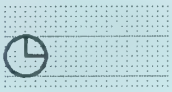
dot
(pictograph)



space
(three coordinates illustrating the three dimensions of space)

Classification

TIME



time
(symbol looks like a clock face, suggesting time)



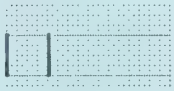
anytime, sometime
(any + time)



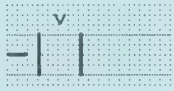
ever
(anytime + description indicator)



sometimes
(part of + time)



limits, limitation
(two reference lines, limiting what lies between them)



infinite, limitless
(without + limits + description indicator)



limited time, interval, period
(time + limits)



during, while
(limited time + dot)



before, in front of, prior to
(dot + reference line)



early
(before + time + description indicator)



after, behind
(reference line + dot)



late
(after + time + description indicator)



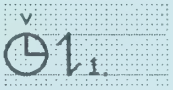
once
(1 + time + description indicator)



often, frequent, frequently
(many + time + description indicator)



usually, usual
(most + time + description indicator)



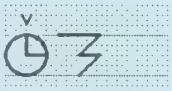
finally, at last
(time + last + description indicator)



always, ever, forever
(time + all + description indicator)



never
(opposite meaning + always + description indicator)



suddenly, abrupt, sudden
(time + lightning + description indicator



when
(relativizer + time)



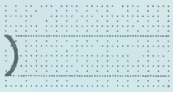
when ?
(what ? + time)



new
(combination of beginning *and* life *and* time + desc. ind)



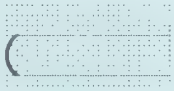
old
(opposite meaning + new + description indicator)



past
(outline of parabolic mirror focused on what lies behind it)



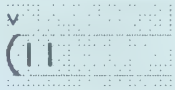
present
(past + future: time between past and future)



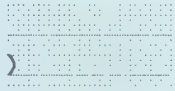
future
(outline of parabolic mirror focused on what lies ahead of it)



recent, recently
(past + near + description indicator)



soon
(future + near + description indicator)



ago, then (past)
(past [half-sized])



now
(present [half-sized])



current
(now + description indicator)



then (future)
(future [half-sized])



until, till, to
(arrowhead + reference line [half-sized])



again
(dot is repeated)

Classification

TIME

first, primary
(1 + decimal point + description indicator)

last, final
(opposite meaning + first + description indicator

next
(first + after + description indicator)

preceding
(opposite meaning + next + description indicator)

Periods of Time

hour
(time + degree)

minute
(time + apostrophe)

second
(time + two apostrophes)

day
(sun + earth)

week
(7 + day)

month
(moon [modified])

year
(sun with arrow head, indicating movement around)

decade
(10 + year)

century
(100 + year)

Days and Nights

yesterday
(day + then (past))

today
(day + now)

tomorrow
(day + then (future))

morning (early)
(combination of sun *and* earth)

morning
(day + before + 12)

afternoon
(day + after + 12)

evening
(half moon + earth)

night
(moon + earth)

last night
(night + then (past))

tonight
(night + now)

tomorrow night
(night + then (future))

Time Symbols

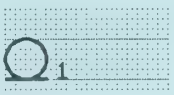
The symbols **then (past)**) , **now**)(, **then (future)** (, may be added after any symbol denoting time, e.g., **night**, **month**, **year** etc. to show *past*, *present* and *future* with respect to these symbols.

last month	this year	next summer
(month + then (past))	(year + now)	(summer + then (future))

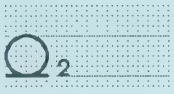
Classification

TIME

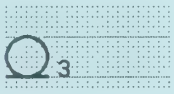
The Week



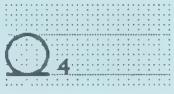
Sunday
(day + 1)



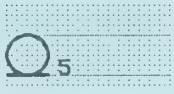
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(day + 2)



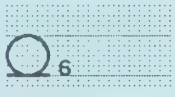
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(day + 3)



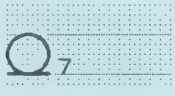
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(day + 4)



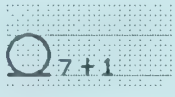
Thursday
(day + 5)



Friday
(day + 6)



Saturday
(day + 7)



weekend
(Saturday + Sunday [contraction])



weekend
(Friday + Saturday [contraction]) (Israel)



last week
(week + then (past))



this week
(week + now)



next week
(week + then (future))

Months



January
(month + 1)



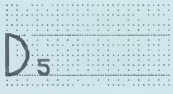
February
(month + 2)



March
(month + 3)



April
(month + 4)



May
(month + 5)



June
(month + 6)



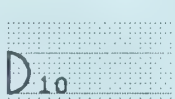
July
(month + 7)



August
(month + 8)



September
(month + 9)



October
(month + 10)

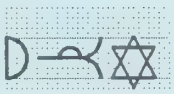


November
(month + 11)

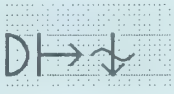


December
(month + 12)

Hebrew Months



Tishrai
(month + shofar)



Cheshvan
(month + beginning + rain)



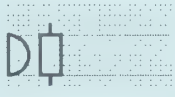
Kislev
(month + happy + light)



Tevet
(month + winter)



Shvat
(month + birth + tree + plural ind.)



Adar
(month + megillah)



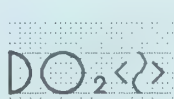
Nissan
(month + unleavened bread)



Iyar
(month + Israel)



Sivan
(month + commandments)



Tamuz
(month + summer)



Av
(month + to destroy + temple)



Elul
(month + before + shofar)

Classification

TIME

Years



last year
(year + then (past))



this year
(year + now)



next year
(year + then (future))

Seasons

Below is the series created by CKB:



spring
(sun + 1)



summer
(sun + 2)



autumn, fall
(sun + 3)

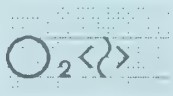


winter
(sun + 4)

Below are two series created by BCI, each using the CKB symbol plus additional descriptive symbols to make the symbol more meaningful, particularly for children. A user's level of understanding and the local climate will determine which series one chooses. For this reason there are *three* options available for winter:



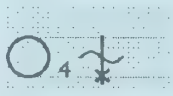
spring
(sun + 1 + flower + up)



summer
(sun + 2 + hot)



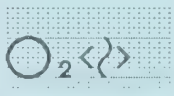
autumn, fall
(sun + 3 + leaf + down)



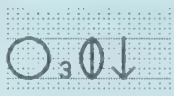
winter
(sun + 4 + snow)



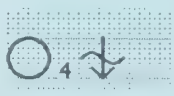
spring
(sun + 1 + flower + up)



summer
(sun + 2 + hot)



autumn, fall
(sun + 3 + leaf + down)



winter
(sun + 4 + rain)

Related Symbols



clock, timepiece
(time + thing indicator)



watch, wristwatch
(clock + hand + thing indicator)



appointment
(time + to meet)



turn
(time + activity)



rest period, break
(limited time + rest)



emergency
(danger + limited time)



schedule, timetable
(paper + time)

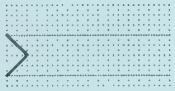


calendar
(page + day + month)

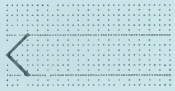
Classification

PLACE AND DIRECTION

Place



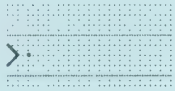
relation (pro)
(symbol is derived from mathematical "greater than")



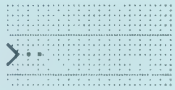
relation (con)
(symbol is derived from mathematical "smaller than")



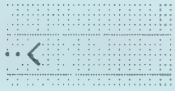
position
(relation + dot)



at
(position [half-sized])



here
(relation [half-sized] + two dots)



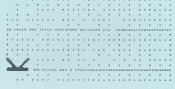
there
(two dots + relation [half-sized])



pointer
(arrowhead, pointing to a detail or to a particular location)



place, area, location, space
(earth + pointer)



on
(earth [half-sized] + pointer)



where
(combination of relativizer *and* place)



where ?
(combination of what ? *and* place)



anywhere, anyplace, someplace, somewhere
(combination of any *and* place)



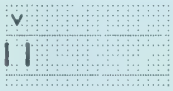
nowhere, no place
(combination of minus *and* place)



limits, limitation
(two reference lines, limiting what lies between them)



far, distant
(two reference lines [half-sized] + description indicator)



near, almost, close, nearly
(two ref. lines [half-sized] + desc. ind.)



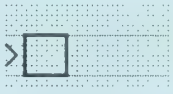
together
(vertical line + plus + vertical line + description indicator)



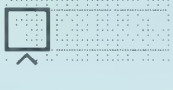
top
(enclosure + pointer, to top)



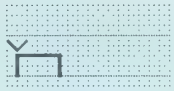
middle, centre
(enclosure + pointer, to centre)



side
(enclosure + pointer, to side)



bottom, base
(enclosure + pointer, to bottom)



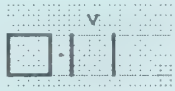
edge
(table + pointer, to edge)



in, inside, interior, internal
(enclosure + dot, inside the enclosure)



out, exterior, external, outside
(enclosure + dot)



beyond, past
(outside + limits + description indicator)



before, in front of, prior to
(dot + reference line)



after, behind
(reference line + dot)



between
(two reference lines + dot, between them)



over, above, superior
(dot + horizontal reference line)



under, below, inferior
(horizontal reference line + dot)



around
(curved line + dot)



across
(vertical line with two horizontal lines [half-sized] across it)

Classification

PLACE AND DIRECTION

Direction



direction
(generalization + forward)



forward
(arrow, pointing forward)



advance (to), go (to)
(forward + action indicator)



approach
(forward + reference line)



come (to), approach (to)
(approach + action indicator)



to, toward, towards
(arrowhead + reference line [half-sized]



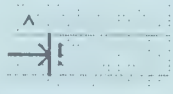
end, arrival, stop
(forward + reference line)



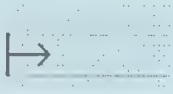
until, till, to
(arrowhead + reference line [half-sized])



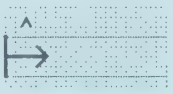
crash
(to stop + intensity)



crash (to)
(crash + action indicator)



beginning, start
(reference line + forward)



begin (to), start (to)
(beginning + action indicator)



departure
(reference line + forward)



go (to), depart (to), leave (to)
(departure + action indicator)



away, at a distance, off
(reference line [half-sized] + arrowhead)



from
(reference line [half-sized] + arrowhead)



meet (to), encounter (to)
(2 arrows approaching + act. ind.)



down, downward
(arrow, pointing downward)



descend (to), go down (to)
(down + action indicator)



fall (to)
(down + intensity + action indicator)



crash
(to fall + earth)



crash (to)
(crash + action indicator)



downward and forward
(arrow, pointing downward and forward)



downward and backward
(arrow, pointing downward and back)



arrow (bent)
(pictograph)



up, upward
(arrow, pointing upward)



rise (to), ascend (to)
(up + action indicator)



lift (to), raise (to)
(up + weight + action indicator)



upward and forward
(diagonal arrow, pointing upward and forward)



upward and backward
(diagonal arrow, pointing upward and backward)



up and down
(up + down)



backward, back
(arrow, pointing backward)



back up (to)
(backward + action indicator)



return
(reference line + backward)

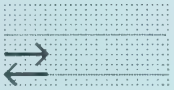


return (to), come back (to), reverse (to)
(return + act.ind.)

Classification

PLACE AND DIRECTION

Direction



back and forth, to and fro
(backward + forward)



into
(forward + enclosure)



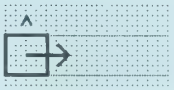
enter (to), absorb (to), insert (to), penetrate (to)
(into + action ind.)



out of, exit (downwards)
(enclosure + downward arrow)



out of, exit
(enclosure + forward)



exit (to)
(out of + action indicator)



north
(sun + pointer, to north)



northern
(north + description indicator)



east
(sun + pointer, to east)



eastern
(east + description indicator)



south
(sun + pointer, to south)



southern
(south + description indicator)



west
(sun + pointer, to west)



western
(west + description indicator)



right
(vertical line, with horiz. line [half-sized] at right + desc. ind.)



left
(vertical line, with horiz.line [half-sized] at left + desc. ind.)



cross (to)
(across + action indicator)

Particles

Particles are symbols that function as prepositions, conjunctions, adverbs, demonstrative pronouns or articles. Many of the particles are half-sized versions or "little meanings" of full-sized symbols representing related concepts.

Full-sized Symbol	Particle
position (relation + dot)	**at** (position [half-sized])
approach  (forward + reference line)	**to** (arrowhead + reference line [half-sized])

Living Together

Communication

LANGUAGE



language
(mouth + ear)



word
(part of + language)



sentence, clause, phrase
(group of + word)



alphabet, letters
(three letters of the alphabet)

Communicating Ideas



meaning, sense, significance,
(to think + to say + to write)



exchange (to), substitute (to)
(comb. of to receive *and* to give + act. ind)



communication
(to exchange + meaning)



communicate (to)
(communication + action indicator)



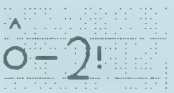
say (to), call (to), speak (to), talk (to), tell (to)
(mouth + action ind.)



shout (to)
(to say + two intensity symbols + action indicator)



yell (to), scream (to)
(to say + three intensity symbols + action ind.)



whisper (to)
(to say + quiet + action indicator)



discussion, conversation, debate
(to speak + back and forth)



discuss (to), converse (to), debate (to)
(discussion + act. ind)



argument, dispute, quarrel
(discussion + intensity)



argue (to), dispute (to), quarrel (to)
(argument + act. ind.)



joke (to)
(to say + comma + funny + action ind.)



apologize (to), regret (to express)
(to speak + comma + to regret + act. ind.)



describe (to)
(to say + to think + to be + action ind.)



explain (to)
(to say + to understand + act. ind.)



promise (to), pledge (to)
(to say + to do + future + action ind.)



protest (to), object (to)
(to speak + against + action indicator)



prayer
(to speak + to + God)



pray (to)
(prayer + action indicator)



point of view
(mind + position)



opinion
(mind + mouth)



suggestion, proposal
(opinion + purpose)



suggest (to), propose (to)
(suggestion + action indicator)



advice, counsel, recommendation
(suggestion + to help)



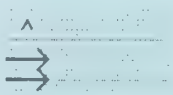
advise (to), counsel (to), recommend (to)
(advice + action ind.)



nonsense
(meaning + to cross out)



agreement
(two parallel arrows)



agree (to)
(agreement + action indicator)

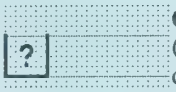


translate (to)
(bridge + language + action indicator)

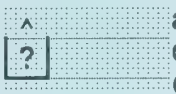
Communication

LANGUAGE

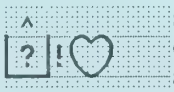
Communicating Ideas



question
(question mark + open)



ask (to), inquire (to), question (to),
(question + action indicator)



request (to)
(to ask + please + action indicator)



problem
(question + difficult)



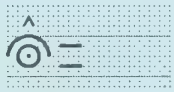
answer, reply
(question + enclosure)



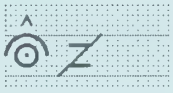
answer (to), reply (to)
(answer + action indicator)



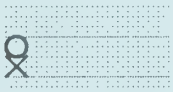
solve (to)
(to answer + difficult + action indicator)



compare (to)
(to observe + same + action indicator)



contrast (to)
(to observe + different + action indicator)

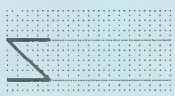


generalization
(mouth + many)



secret
(enclosure + mouth)

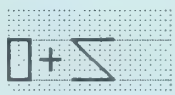
Communicating with Blissymbolics



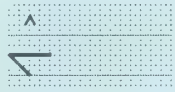
Blissymbol, Blissymbolics
(world + pen)



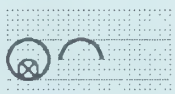
Blissymbol part
(Blissymbol + part)



symbol display, symbol board, symbol chart
(paper + plus + Blissymbol)



point (to), indicate (to)
(hand, on its side + action indicator)



computer
(machine + mind)

Social Interaction



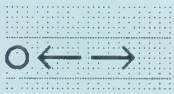
yes!
(positive + intensity)



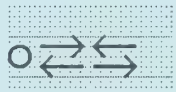
no!
(not + intensity)



hello, greetings
(mouth + to meet)



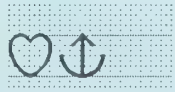
goodbye, farewell
(mouth + two arrows, pointing outward)



shalom (Hebrew)
(combination of hello *and* goodbye)



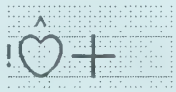
see you again
(to see + again + action indicator)



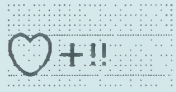
thanks, thank you
(feeling + to give)



please
(command + feeling)



mazel tov (Hebrew), congratulations
(command + luck + action indicator)



great experience (Hebrew)
(good + intensity)



welcome
(feeling + visitor [contraction])



you're welcome
(happy + to help + action indicator)

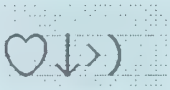
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LANGUAGE

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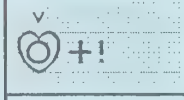
that's too bad (Hebrew)
(sad + about)



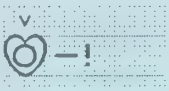
sorry
(sadness + about + past)



dear
(feeling + toward)



wow!
(to speak + good + description indicator)



ugh!, yuk!
(to speak + bad + description indicator)



it's clear (Hebrew)
(to understand + through + desc. ind.)



nonsense!
(nonsense + intensity symbol)



let's
(command + to let + us + action indicator + plural indicator)



attention
(eye + two intensity symbols)



pardon ?
(what ? + to say + action indicator)

Writing and Writing Equipment



pen, pencil
(pictograph)



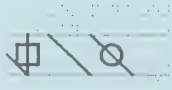
write (to)
(pen + action indicator)



name, label, term, title
(pen + mouth)



signature
(to write + name)



signature stamp
(tool + signature)



typewriter, word processor
(machine + to write)



computer
(machine + mind)



blackboard, chalkboard, writing board
(enclosure + to write)



notebook, writing book
(book + to write)



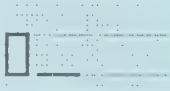
workbook
(book + work)



paper, card, document, page, written record
(pictograph)



story, report, tale
(page + mouth)



map
(paper + earth)



rule, regulation
(page + to guide)



instructions, directions
(page + to use)



list, inventory
(paper + many + thing)



schedule, timetable
(paper + time)



recipe
(page + to prepare food)



copy, duplicate
(to repeat + thing indicator)



repeat (to), copy (to), duplicate (to), reproduce (to)
(two vertical lines + action indicator)

Communication

LANGUAGE

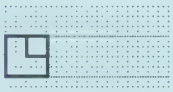
Writing and Writing Equipment



letter, mail, post
(pictograph)



dear
(feeling + toward)



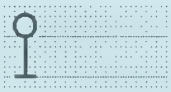
postcard
(pictograph)



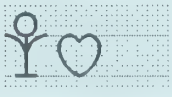
stamp
(pictograph)



parcel, package
(pictograph)



metaphor
(combination of to speak *and* flower *and* earth)



poetry
(metaphor + wings + feeling)



poem
(page + poetry)



rhyme
(similar sound + end)

Published Writing



news
(eye + ear)



newspaper, bulletin, newsletter
(page + news)



book
(pictograph)



magazine, journal
(book + often)



advertisement
(page + attention)



sign
(enclosure + attention)



sign
(to point + thing)

Two Ways to Use the Dot

With another symbol to indicate a point in space or time:

over
(dot + horizontal reference line: the dot is over or above the line)

under
(dot + horizontal reference line: the dot is under or below the line)



in
(enclosure + dot, inside the enclosure)



out
(enclosure + dot, outside the enclosure)

As a part of a pictograph:



eye
(pictograph: the symbol suggests an eye with a pupil in the centre)



spot, mark
(eye + dot: a dot perceived by the eye)



seed
(earth + two dots below, to represent seeds)

Communication

STORY BOOKS

story, report, tale
(page + mouth)

pretend (to), make believe (to)
(to be + sky + action indicator)

make-believe
(to pretend + description indicator)

royal
(pictograph of a crown + description indicator)

castle, palace
(house + royal)

king
(man + royal)

queen
(woman + royal)

prince
(boy + royal)

princess
(girl + royal)

wand
(pictograph)

cottage, hut, cabin
(house + little)

ghost, phantom
(person + transparent)

monster
(creature + strange + thing indicator)

excitement
(feeling + three intensity symbols)

family
(man + protection + protection + woman)

animal, beast
(pictograph)

dinosaur
(reptile + past)

farm
(protection + field)

boat, ship
(pictograph)

ocean, sea
(much + much + water)

cave
(hole + mountain)

THE ARTS

Art

art
(man-made + feeling)

work of art, art object
(man-made + feeling + thing indicator)

art gallery, gallery
(building + art + thing indicator)

museum
(building + thing + interesting + plural indicator)

picture
(eye + enclosure)

photograph
(paper + camera)

poetry
(metaphor + wings + feeling)

poem
(page + poetry)

pen, pencil
(pictograph)

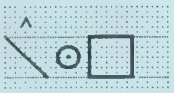
crayon, coloured pencil, marker
(pencil + colour)

write (to)
(pen + action indicator)

Communication

THE ARTS

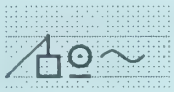
Art



draw (to), sketch (to)
(pencil + picture + action indicator)



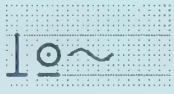
brush
(pictograph)



paint, dye
(chemical product + colour + liquid)



paint (to), dye (to)
(paint + action indicator)



painter
(person + paint [contraction])

Music



musical note
(international symbol)



music
(ear + musical note)



song
(mouth + musical note)



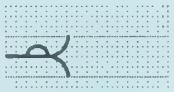
tune, melody
(plan + musical note)



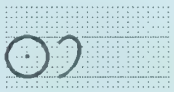
musical instrument
(instrument + musical note)



bell
(thing + 1 + musical note)



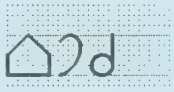
horn
(pictograph)



record, compact disc
(pictograph of record + ear)



cassette, video
(pictograph)



concert hall
(building + music)



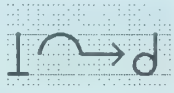
musician
(person + musical note)



singer
(person + to sing)



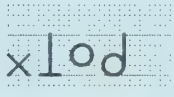
composer
(person + tune)



conductor
(person + to lead + musical note)



musical group
(group + musical note)



choir, chorus
(group + to sing)



band, orchestra
(group + musical instrument)



sing (to)
(song + action indicator)



whistle (to)
(to sing + teeth + action indicator)

Mass Media



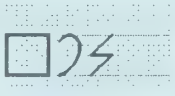
showplace, theatre
(building + eye)



movie theatre, cinema
(building + projector)



movie, film
(cylinder + projector)



radio
(enclosure + ear + electricity)



television
(enclosure + eye + ear + electricity)



record player, stereo
(machine + record)



tape recorder
(machine + to reproduce + ear)



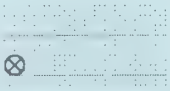
video recorder
(machine + to reproduce + eye + ear)



disco
(gathering + record)

Transportation

SIDEWALK AND ROAD VEHICLES



wheel
(pictograph)



bicycle
(2 + wheel)



tricycle
(3 + wheel)



wheelchair
(chair + wheel)



electric wheelchair
(wheelchair + electricity)



vehicle, carriage, railway car
(pictograph)



wagon, cart, truck (UK)
(vehicle + diagonal line as a handle)



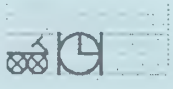
baby carriage, buggy, pram, stroller
(wagon + baby)



car, automobile, motor vehicle
(pictograph)



ambulance
(car + medical)



taxi, cab
(car + limited time)



bus, coach
(motor vehicle with many wheels)



van, mini-bus
(bus + little)



truck, lorry (UK)
(comb. of to carry *and* motor vehicle, with many wheels)



fire truck, fire engine
(truck + fire + to destroy)



dump truck, tip-up lorry (UK)
(truck + out of (downward))



cart, carriage
(combination of to pull *and* to carry)



rickshaw
(cart + person)



crane
(machine + up and down)



camper, caravan, trailer
((combination of house *and* vehicle))

OTHER FORMS OF TRANSPORTATION



airplane, aeroplane (UK), plane
(wings + wheel)



jet, jet plane
(plane + out of)



military plane
(airplane + war)



helicopter
(pictograph)



tank
(motor vehicle, with many wheels + cannon)



tractor
(pictograph)



train
(many + railway car)



boat, ship
(pictograph)



sail
(pictograph)



sailboat, sailing boat (UK)
(combination of boat *and* sail)



rocket, spaceship
(pictograph of a rocket + upward)

PLACES WHERE VEHICLES TRAVEL



sky
(horizontal line, on the skyline)



earth, ground, land
(horizontal line, on the earthline)

Transportation

PLACES WHERE VEHICLES TRAVEL



street
(ground + pointer + house)



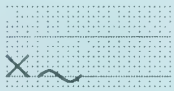
road
(earth [extended line] + pointer + car)



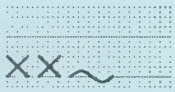
bridge, overpass
(earth [half-sized] + curved line + earth [half-sized])



river
(water + forward)



lake, pond
(much + water)



ocean, sea
(much + much + water)

RELATED SYMBOLS



trip, journey, travel, voyage
(wheel + earth)



travel (to), journey (to)
(trip + action indicator)



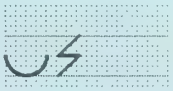
move (to)
(wheel + earth [half-sized] + action indicator)



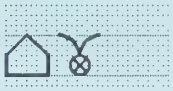
tire, tyre (UK)
(wheel + pointer, to tire)



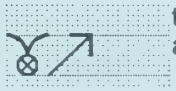
gasoline, gas, petrol (UK)
(liquid + wheel)



battery
(container + electricity)



airport
(building + airplane)



take-off, airplane take-off
(airplane + upward and forward)



landing, airplane landing
(airplane + downward and forward)



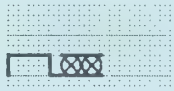
crash (airplane)
(airplane + to crash)



crash (automobile)
(automobile + to crash)



traffic
(many + car)



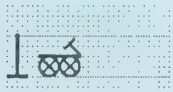
platform (train)
(platform + earth [extended] + vehicle)



bus bay
(platform + earth [extended] + bus)



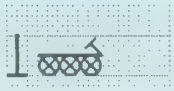
pier
(platform + combination of boat *and* to float)



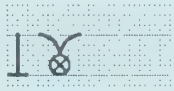
driver, chauffeur
(person + car)



taxi driver, cab driver
(person + taxi)



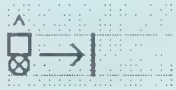
bus driver
(person + bus)



pilot
(person + airplane)



carry (to), move (to), transport (to)
(thing + wheel + action indicator)



bring (to)
(to carry + forward + reference line + action indicator)



send (to)
(to carry + reference line + forward + action indicator)



drive (to)
(car + action indicator)



ride (to)
(to sit + forward + action indicator)



push (to), shove (to)
(forward + thing + action indicator)



pull (to), drag (to), tow (to), tug (to)
(thing + forward + action indicator)



carry cot (UK), bassinet, capsule (Aus)
(container + baby)

Transportation

RELATED SYMBOLS



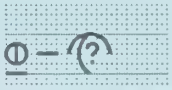
schedule, timetable
(paper + time)



ticket, pass
(paper + to enter)



danger
(creation + intensity)



accident
(event + without + to expect)



baggage, luggage, suitcase
(pictograph)

Two Uses of the Arrow

direction	
forward →	**up, upward** ↑
backward ←	**down, downward** ↓

movement
push (to)  (forward + thing + action indicator: the forward moving arrow seems to be pushing the thing)
shake (to)  (up and down + action indicator)

Many symbol meanings are determined by the relation of an **arrow** to a **reference line**.

approach	arrival, end	through	beginning	departure	return
					
(forward + reference line)	(forward + reference line)	(forward + reference line)	(reference line + forward)	(reference line + forward)	(reference line + backward)

Occupations

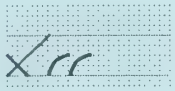
PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND MANUFACTURING



farm
(protection + field)



farmer
(person + farm)



harvest
(knife + grain)



plough
(knife + earth)



shovel, spade
(pictograph)



dig (to)
(shovel + earth + action indicator)



tractor
(pictograph)



barn, stable, shed (Aus)
(house + animal)



raise (to), grow (to)
(to cause + to grow + action indicator)



fruit
(pictograph)



vegetable (below ground)
(combination of earth *and* fruit)



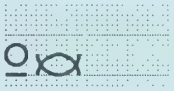
food
(mouth + earth [half-sized])



meat
(food + animal)



milk
(drink + life)



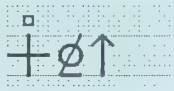
fish
(food + fish)



fish
(pictograph)



fishing
(to get + fish)



sugar, sweetener
(comb. of flavouring *and* sweet + thing ind)



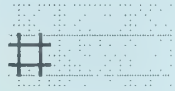
tobacco
(leaf + to smoke)



tree
(pictograph)



forest, bush, woods
(many + many + tree)



cloth, fabric, material, net
(pictograph)



clothing, clothes, garment
(cloth + protection)



boat, ship
(pictograph)



train
(many + railway car)



car, automobile, motor vehicle
(pictograph)



bus, coach
(motor vehicle with many wheels)



truck, lorry (UK)
(comb. of to carry *and* motor vehicle, with many wheels)



airplane, aeroplane (UK), plane
(wings + wheel)



chemical product
(symbol suggests outline of chemical retort)



plastic
(chemical product + many + shape)



material, raw material
(thing + earth [half-sized])



leather
(material + animal skin)



wool
(material + sheep)



wood, lumber
(material + tree)



metal
(material + metal)

Occupations

PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND MANUFACTURING



steel
(material + knife)



stone
(material + stone)



concrete, cement
(material + stone + man-made)



mine
(mountain + dot)



energy
(sun + electromagnetic radiation)



nuclear energy
(energy + nucleus)



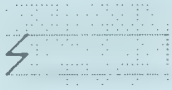
power
(The Action + electromagnetic radiation)



fuel
(energy + enclosure)



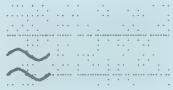
coal
(fuel + plant)



electricity
(pictograph)



water
(symbol looks like a wave, suggesting water or liquid))



oil, lubricant
(two parallel liquid symbols)



gasoline, gas, petrol (UK)
(liquid + wheel)



gas
(up + pictograph of a bubble)



computer
(machine + mind)



house, building, dwelling, residence
(pictograph)



make (to), produce (to), manufacture (to)
(creation [modified] + action indicator)



factory, plant
(building + to make)



maker, manufacturer, producer
(person + to make)



worker
(person + to work)

COMMERCE



work, job, employment,
(two action symbols)



work (to)
(work + action indicator)



unemployment
(without + work)



office
(room + work + pencil)



worker
(person + to work)



boss, supervisor
(person + to guide + work)



manager, secretary
(person + to plan + work)



goods, contents
(container + thing)



business, commerce, trade
(money + to hold)



clerk
(helper + business)



success
(three arrows: one moves beyond two opposing arrows)

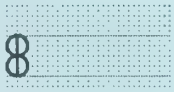


succeed (to)
(success + action indicator)

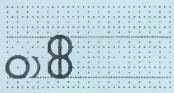
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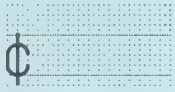
Money



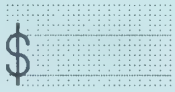
money, cash
(symbol suggests a rod of mercury)



coin
(disc + money)



cent
(international symbol for cent)



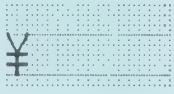
dollar
(international symbol for dollar)



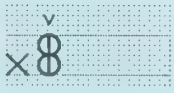
pound sterling
(international symbol for British pound sterling)



shekel
(money + international symbol for Israeli shekel)



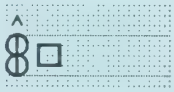
yen
(international symbol for Japanese yen)



rich, wealthy
(much + money + description indicator)



poor
(without + money + description indicator)



buy (to), purchase (to)
(money + thing + action indicator)



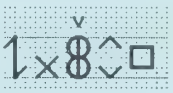
sell (to)
(thing + money + action indicator)



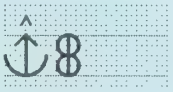
cost, price
(money + for (in exchange for) + thing)



expensive
(much + cost + description. ind.)



cheap, inexpensive
(opposite meaning + expensive + desc. ind.)



pay (to)
(to give + money + action indicator)



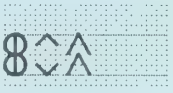
lend (to), loan (to)
(to give + limited time + action. ind.)



borrow (to)
(to receive + limited time + action indicator)



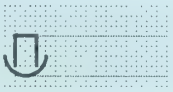
exchange (to), trade (to)
(comb. of to receive *and* to give + act. ind.)



wages, pay, salary
(money + for (in exchange for) + work)



earn (to)
(to work + for (in exchange for) + money)



account
(paper + container)



calculator
(machine + to calculate)

Places for Business



bank
(building + money)



garage
(building + two wheels)



hotel, motel
(building + person + to travel)



factory, plant
(building + to make)



store, shop
(public room + business)



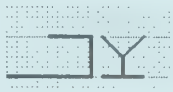
grocery store, food store, supermarket
(store + food)



restaurant, cafeteria
(public room + food)



cafe, coffee house
(public room + snack)



bar, pub
(public room + alcoholic drink)



barber shop, beauty shop
(public room + hair)



shopping centre, mall, plaza
(many + public room)

Occupations

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flag
(pictograph)



country
(flag + earth)



province, county, region, state
(part of + country)



village
(group of + house)



city
(many + many + building)



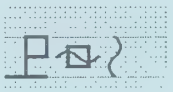
international
(country + all + description indicator)



Denmark
(country + three parallel water symbols)



Finland
(country + sauna)



Iceland
(country + ice + fire)



Sweden
(country + 3 + crown)



Canada
(country + maple leaf)



Ireland
(country + shamrock)



United Kingdom
(country + picto–graph of Union Jack)



Israel
(country + Star of David)



Netherlands (The), Holland
(country + low)



govern (to), rule (to)
(to lead + country + action indicator)



leader, director, guide
(person + to lead)



government
(group + to govern)



public (the)
(many + many + person)



public
(public + description indicator)



queen
(woman + royal)



king
(man + royal)



citizen
(earth + combination of man *and* woman)



police officer
(person + protection)



prison, jail
(building + barred window)

Part of

Part of may be used in association with another symbol to create a new meaning, which is *part of* the *meaning* of the original symbol.

language	word	country	province, county, region, state
			
(mouth + ear: what is spoken and heard)	(part of + language)	(flag + earth: territory identified by a flag)	(part of + country)

Occupations

GOVERNMENT

The Military



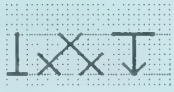
war
(two crossed swords, suggesting armed conflict)



peace
(opposite meaning + war)



soldier, warrior
(person + war)



paratrooper
(soldier + sky + down)



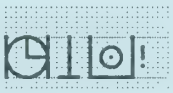
army
(group + war)



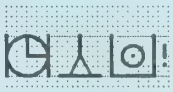
navy
(group + war + water)



military reserve duty
(limited time + soldier)



guard duty
(limited time + person + to watch) (Israel)



citizen guard duty
(limited time + citizen + to watch) (Israel)



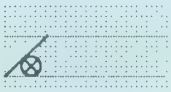
base camp
(place + to gather)



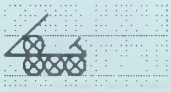
military plane
(airplane + war)



helicopter
(pictograph)



cannon, gun
(pictograph)



tank
(motor vehicle, with many wheels + cannon)



gun, firearm
(pictograph)



handgun, pistol
(gun + small)



rifle, shotgun
(gun + long)



explosive
(thing + four arrows [modified], moving outwards)



explode (to), blow up (to), burst (to)
(explosive + action indicator)



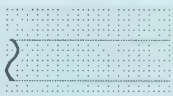
unidentified object
(explosive + maybe) (Israel)



rocket, spaceship
(pictograph of a rocket + upward)

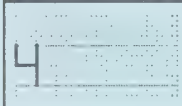
Classes of Symbols

There are four different types of symbols in the system of Blissymbolics:

pictographic	ideographic	dual classification	arbitrary
looks like the object it represents	represents a concept or thing by graphically presenting an associated idea	may be seen as either pictographic or ideographic	has no pictographic or ideographic association
 **balloon** (pictograph)	 **fire** (the symbol looks like a flame, suggesting fire)	 **house, building, dwelling** (pictograph: the symbol looks like the outline of a house) or (combination of enclosure *and* protection)	 **addition, gain** (international mathematical symbol)

Community Services

HEALTH AND MEDICAL CARE



health
(person [modified] + arm)



healthy, well
(health + description indicator)



strong, powerful
(combination of health *and* muscle + description indicator)



medical, medically
(symbol suggests caduceus + desc.ind.)



medical insurance
(protection + future + question mark + medical)



ambulance
(car + medical)



hospital, clinic
(building + medical)



clinic
(public room + medical)



baby clinic
(public room + medical + baby)



appointment
(time + to meet)



doctor, physician
(person + medical)



dentist
(doctor + teeth)



nurse
((person + to care for + medical)



therapist
(mutual aid + forward + person)

Handicaps and Illness



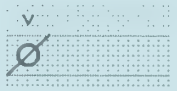
disability, handicap
(ability + limits)



mentally handicapped, mentally retarded
(limits + mind + desc. ind.)



physically disabled, physically handicapped
(limits + body + desc. ind.)



nonspeaking, nonvocal
(mouth + to cross out + description ind.)



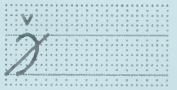
speech impaired
(limits + to speak + description indicator)



blind
(eye + to cross out + description indicator)



visually impaired
(limits + to see + description indicator)



deaf
(ear + to cross out + description indicator)



hearing impaired
(limits + to hear + description indicator)



illness, disease, sickness
(pictograph of person with knees drawn up)



sick, ill
(illness + description indicator)



attack (of illness)
(illness + limited time)



rabies
(illness + animal + to bite)



pain, suffering
(feeling + sick)



painful. painfully, sore
(pain + description indicator)



cramp, spasm
(pain + muscle)



ache
(pain + to continue)



sore, wound
(break + skin)



pimple, blemish
(face + dot + pointer)



acne
(many + pimple)

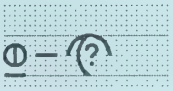


cavity
(teeth + dot)

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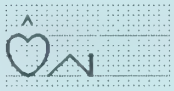
accident
(event + without + to expect)



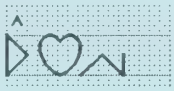
emergency
(danger + limited time)



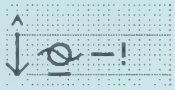
bleed (to)
(blood + action indicator)



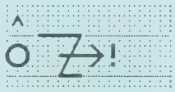
hurt (to), pain (to feel), suffer (to)
(pain + action ind.)



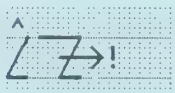
injure (to), hurt (to)
(to cause + pain + action indicator)



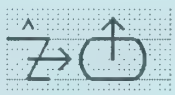
choke (to), gag (to)
(to swallow + negative + action ind)



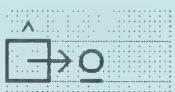
cough (to)
(mouth + to blow + intensity + action indicator)



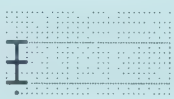
sneeze (to)
(nose + to blow + intensity + action indicator:



burp (to), belch (to)
(wind + body + upward + action ind.)

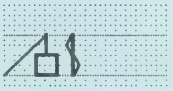


vomit (to), throw up (to)
(to exit + food + action indicator

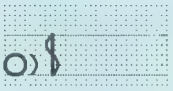


temperature
(symbol suggests a thermometer)

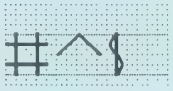
Aids for Handicaps and Illness



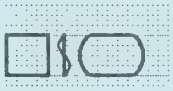
medicine, medication
(chemical product + medical)



pill, tablet
(disc + medical)



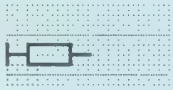
bandage, dressing
(cloth + protection + medical)



cast
(enclosure + medical + body)



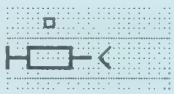
thermometer
(temperature + thing indicator)



injection, inoculation, shot
(pictograph of hypodermic syringe)



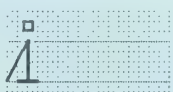
syringe
(injection + thing indicator)



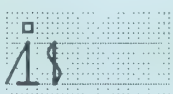
hypodermic needle
(syringe + pointer, to needle)



operation
(to cut + medical)



aid (an), device
(help + thing indicator)



brace, calliper, splint
(support + medical + thing indicator)



stander
(support + medical + to stand + thing indicator)



walker
(support + medical + to walk + thing ind.)



hoist, lift
(aid + up and down + thing indicator)



hearing aid
(aid + ear + electricity + thing indicator)



ear mould
(thing + ear)



glasses, eye glasses
(pictograph)



cane, stick, walking stick
(linear thing + to walk + thing ind.)



crutches
(tools + medical + to walk + plural ind.)



wheelchair
(chair + wheel)



electric wheelchair
(wheelchair + electricity)



artificial respiration
(to cause + to breathe)



artificial respiration (to give), resuscitate (to)
(artificial respiration + action ind.)

Community Services

EDUCATION

instruction, teaching
(to give + knowledge)

teach (to), instruct (to)
(to give + knowledge + action indicator)

teacher, instructor
(person + to teach)

school
(building + to teach)

classroom
(room + to teach)

learn (to)
(to receive + knowledge + action indicator)

student, pupil
(person + to learn)

class
(group + to learn)

education
(to exchange + knowledge)

university
(building + to exchange + knowledge)

library
(building + book)

library
(room + book)

Equipment for Teaching and Learning

paper, page, document
(pictograph)

newspaper, bulletin, newsletter
(page + news)

map
(paper + earth)

photograph
(paper + camera)

picture
(eye + enclosure)

pen, pencil
(pictograph)

crayon, coloured pencil, marker
(pencil + colour)

book
(pictograph)

magazine, journal
(book + often)

workbook
(book + work)

notebook, writing book
(book + to write)

radio
(enclosure + ear + electricity)

television
(enclosure + eye + ear + electricity)

camera
(enclosure + light)

film
(cylinder + camera)

projector
(camera + forward)

movie, film
(cylinder + projector)

typewriter, word processor
(machine + to write)

computer
(machine + mind)

calculator
(machine + to calculate)

tape recorder
(machine + to reproduce + ear)

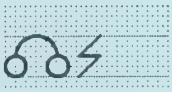
video recorder
(machine + to reproduce + eye + ear)

cassette, video
(pictograph)

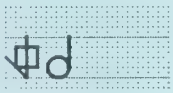
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Equipment for Teaching and Learning

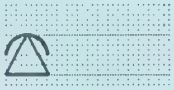


earphones
(pictograph + electricity)

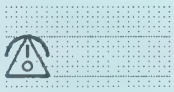


musical instrument
(instrument + musical note)

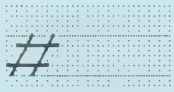
Subject Matter



science
(mind + nature)



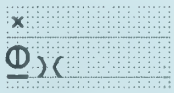
mathematics, arithmetic, math
(science + 0 + 1)



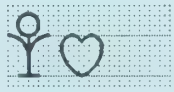
number
(international symbol)



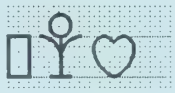
alphabet, letters
(three letters of the alphabet)



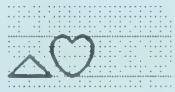
current events
(event + now + plural indicator)



poetry
(metaphor + wings + feeling)



poem
(page + poetry)



art
(man-made + feeling)



music
(ear + musical note)



religion
(feeling + creation)

Related Symbols



think (to), reason (to)
(mind + action indicator)



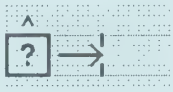
remember (to), recall (to)
(opposite meaning + to forget + act. ind.)



ask (to), inquire (to), question (to)
(question + action indicator)



answer (to), reply (to)
(answer + action indicator)



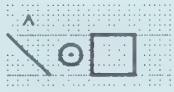
solve (to)
(to answer + difficult + action indicator)



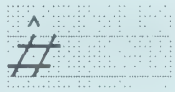
read (to)
(to see + page + action indicator)



write (to)
(pen + action indicator)



draw (to), sketch (to)
(pencil + picture + action indicator)



count (to)
(number + action indicator)

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RELIGION



religion
(feeling + creation)



religious
(religion + description indicator)



belief
(feeling + truth [contraction])



believe (to)
(belief + action indicator)



truth
(mind + creation + question mark)



God
(creation + creation)



church, mosque, temple
(building + God)



minister, priest, rabbi
(person + to teach + God)



angel
(person + wings + God)



prayer
(to speak + to + God)



pray (to)
(prayer + action indicator)



prayer book, Siddur (Hebrew)
(book + prayer)



moral, good, right
(conscience + positive + desc. ind.)



immoral, bad, wrong
(conscience + negative + desc.ind.)



sin
(wrong + God)



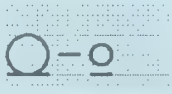
sin (to)
(sin + action indicator)



sinner
(person + sin)



Sabbath, day of rest
(day + rest)



Fast Day
(day + without + food)



candle
(linear thing + fire + light + thing indicator)

Christianity



cross
(symbol for Christianity)



Christian
(cross + description indicator)



Jesus Christ, Christ
(man + cross)



commandments
(pictograph of two tablets of the laws)



eternal life, immortality
(life + after + death)



Good Friday
(day + to die + Christ [contraction])



Easter
(day + to rise + Christ [contraction])



Christmas
(birthday + Christ [contraction])

Hindu Gods



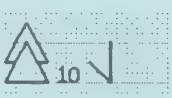
Ganesh
(god + elephant)



Lakshmi
(goddess + money)



Kali
(goddess + black)



Durga
(goddess + 10 + hand)



Shiva
(god + destruction:)



Brahma
(god + creation)

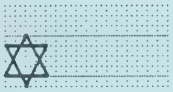


Vishnu
(god + protection)

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RELIGION

Judaism*



Star of David
(symbol for Judaism)



Jewish
(Star of David + description indicator)



commandments
(pictograph of two tablets of the laws)



synagogue
(house + commandments)



Torah
(pictograph of a scroll on two posts)



Chumash
(5 + book + Torah)



tfillim
(2 + box + part of + Torah)



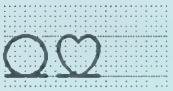
mezuzah
(part of + Torah + door)



skull cap, kipa, yarmulke
(hat + Jewish)



tallit
(clothing + comma + to pray + Jewish)



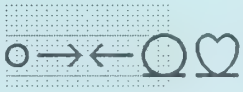
Sabbath, day of rest
(day + rest)



evening of Sabbath
(evening + before + Sabbath)



havdalah
(end + Sabbath)



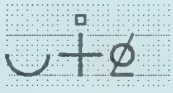
Kabbalat Shabbat
(greeting + Sabbath)



kiddush
(prayer + wine)



bracha, small prayer
(prayer + comma + little)



spice box
(container + seasoning)



shofar
(horn + Jewish)



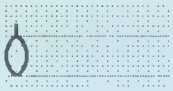
sukkah
(house + roof + tree + thing indicator + plural indicator)



schach
(roof + tree + thing indicator + plural indicator)



lulav
(3 + branch + Sukkot)



etrog
(pictograph: Jewish ceremonial object)



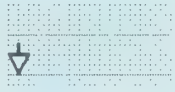
menorah
(pictograph)



hamentasch
(cookie + ear)



soufganiya
(disc + Chanukah)



dreidel, top
(pictograph)



megillah
(pictograph)



matzo
(bread + low)



Haggadah
(book + Passover)

Islam



Moslem, Muslim
(star + crescent moon + descr. ind.)

*For Jewish religious holidays and special occasions see HOLIDAYS AND SPECIAL OCCASIONS.

Community Services

COMMUNITY INSTITUTIONS AND HELPERS



school
(building + to teach)



teacher, instructor
(person + to teach)



student, pupil
(person + to learn)



counsellor, adviser
(person + suggestion + to help)



social worker
(worker + to help + person)



secretary
(person + secret)



helper, aide, assistant
(person + help)



volunteer
(helper + free)



driver, chauffeur
(person + car)



taxi driver, cab driver
(person + taxi)



bus driver
(person + bus)



library
(building + book)



day care centre
(building + day care)



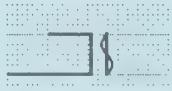
day care
(protection + day)



baby sitter
(person + to protect + child)



hospital, clinic
(building + medical)



clinic
(public room + medical)



doctor, physician
(person + medical)



dentist
(doctor + teeth)



nurse
(person + to care for + medical)



therapist
(mutual aid + forward + person)



church, mosque, temple
(building + God)



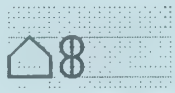
minister, pastor, priest, rabbi
(person + to teach + God)



post office
(building + letter)



letter carrier, mailman, postman
(person + letter)



bank
(building + money)



prison, jail
(building + barred window)



police officer
(person + protection)



fire fighter, fireman
(person + fire + to destroy)



store, shop
(public room + business)



clerk
(helper + business)



shopping centre, mall, plaza
(many + public room)



barber shop, beauty shop
(public room + hair)



barber, hairdresser
(person + hair)



office
(room + work + pencil)



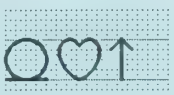
boss, supervisor
(person + to guide + work)



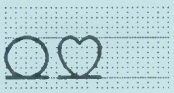
manager, secretary
(person + to plan + work)

Recreation

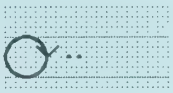
HOLIDAYS AND SPECIAL OCCASIONS



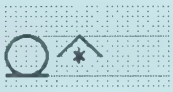
holiday
(day + happy)



Sabbath, day of rest
(day + rest)



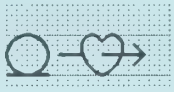
anniversary
(year + again)



birthday
(day + birth)



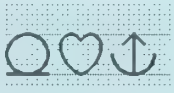
New Year's Day
(birthday + year)



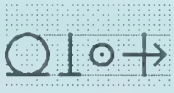
Valentine's Day
(day + love)



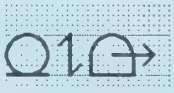
midsummer
(day + most + sun)
(Scandinavia)



Thanksgiving
(day + thanks)



Halloween
(day + ghost)

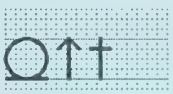


Remembrance Day
(day + to remember)

Christian Holidays



Good Friday
(day + to die + Christ [contraction])

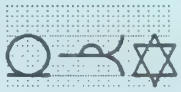


Easter
(day + to rise + Christ [contraction])



Christmas
(birthday + Christ [contraction])

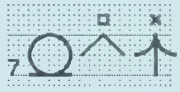
Jewish Holidays and Special Occasions



Rosh Hashana
(day + shofar)



Yom Kippur
(day + to forgive)



Sukkot
(week + roof + tree + thing indicator + plural indicator)



Simchat Torah
(holiday + Torah)



Chanukah
(holiday + light)



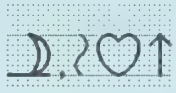
Tu B'Shvat
(day + birth + tree + plural indicator)



Purim
(holiday + megillah)



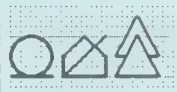
Passover
(week + bread + low)



Lag B'Omer
(night + comma + bonfire)



Shavuot
(day + commandments)



Tisha B'Av
(day + to destroy + temple)



evening of Sabbath
(evening + before + Sabbath)



havdalah
(end + Sabbath)



yahrzeit
(anniversary + death)

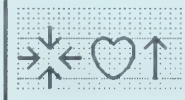


Independence Day
(day + Israel)



Jerusalem Day
(day + city + first)

Related Symbols



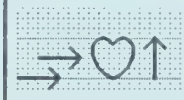
party, festival
(gathering + happy)



treat
(thing + special)



gift, offering, present
(thing + to give)



game
(competition + happy)



valentine
(paper + love)

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Pastimes



hobby, pastime
(activity + interesting)



game
(competition + happy)



party, festival
(gathering + happy)



music
(ear + musical note)



song
(mouth + musical note)



sing (to)
(song + action indicator)



whistle (to)
(to sing + teeth + action indicator)



flower
(pictograph)



plant
(pictograph: flower with a leaf)



garden
(flower + earth)



vegetable (below ground)
(combination of earth *and* fruit)



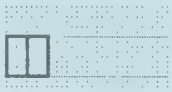
grow (to)
(flower + up + action indicator)



raise (to), grow (to)
(to cause + to grow + action indicator)



read (to)
(to *see* + page + action indicator)



book
(pictograph)



magazine, journal
(book + often)



newspaper, bulletin, newsletter
(page + news)



story, report, tale
(page + mouth)



poetry
(metaphor + wings + feeling)



poem
(page + poetry)



pen, pencil
(pictograph)



write (to)
(pen + action indicator)



crayon, coloured pencil, marker
(pencil + colour)



picture
(eye + enclosure)



draw (to), sketch (to)
(pencil + picture + action indicator)



brush
(pictograph)



paint, dye
(chemical product + colour + liquid)



paint (to), dye (to)
(paint + action indicator)



camera
(enclosure + light)



film
(cylinder + camera)



photograph
(paper + camera)



projector
(camera + forward)



movie, film
(cylinder + projector)



coin
(disc + money)

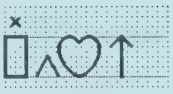


stamp
(pictograph: stamp in upper corner of envelope)

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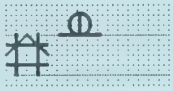
Pastimes



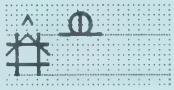
cards, playing cards
(paper + to play + plural indicator)



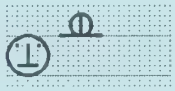
puzzle (picture), jigsaw puzzle
(picture + piece)



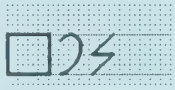
costume, disguise
(clothing + make believe)



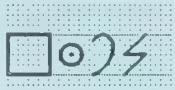
dress up (to), disguise (to)
(costume + action indicator)



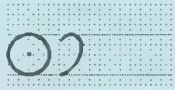
mask, false face
(face + make believe)



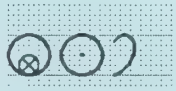
radio
(enclosure + ear + electricity)



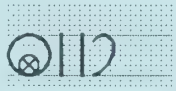
television
(enclosure + eye + ear + electricity)



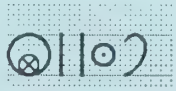
record, compact disc
(pictograph of record + ear)



record player, stereo
(machine + record)



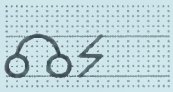
tape recorder
(machine + to reproduce + ear)



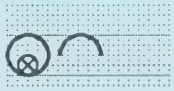
video recorder
(machine + to reproduce + eye + ear)



cassette, video
(pictograph)



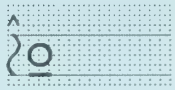
earphones
(pictograph + electricity)



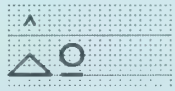
computer
(machine + mind)



joke (to)
(to say + comma + funny + action indicator)



cook (to)
(fire + food + action indicator)

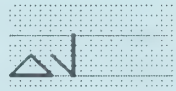


prepare food (to), cook (to)
(to make + food + action indicator)

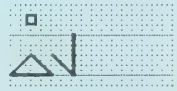


recipe
(page + to prepare food)

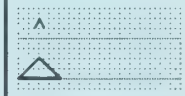
Crafts



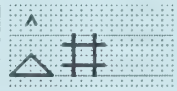
craft
(man-made + hand)



handmade object
(craft + thing indicator)



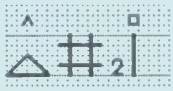
make (to)
(creation [modified] + action indicator)



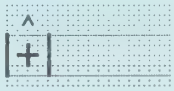
weave (to)
(to make + cloth + action indicator)



crochet (to)
(to make + cloth + hook + action ind.)



knit (to)
(to make + cloth + 2 + linear thing + thing ind. + act.ind)



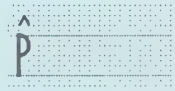
join (to), attach (to), fasten (to)
(together + action indicator)



glue (to), paste (to), stick (to)
(glue + action indicator)



heat (to)
(heat + action indicator)



sew (to)
(needle + action indicator)



cut (to)
(scissors + action indicator)

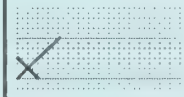


cut (to)
(knife + action indicator)

Tools and Materials for Crafts



tool, instrument
(thing + hand)



knife
(pictograph)

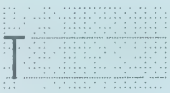


point
(knife + pointer, to tip)

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Tools and Materials for Crafts



nail
(pictograph)



hammer, gavel, mallet
(pictograph)



pliers
(pictograph)



saw
(pictograph)



screw
(symbol suggests path made by the thread of a screw)



screwdriver
(tool + screw)



battery
(container + electricity)



electric wire, electric cord
(linear thing + electricity + thing ind.)



pen, pencil
(pictograph)



ruler, measuring stick, tape measure
(measurement + thing indicator)



brush
(pictograph)



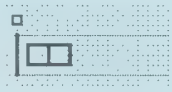
paint, dye
(chemical product + colour + liquid)



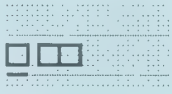
glue, adhesive, paste
(chemical product + to fasten)



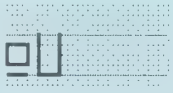
plastic
(chemical product + many + shape)



wire, cable
(linear thing + metal + thing indicator)



metal
(material + metal)



glass
(material + glass)



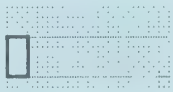
wood, lumber
(material + tree)



stone
(material + stone)



leather
(material + animal skin)



paper, card, document, page
(pictograph)



cloth, fabric, material, net
(pictograph: woven threads)



scissors
(pictograph)



pin
(pictograph)



needle
(pictograph: sewing needle)



sewing machine
(machine + to sew)

PLAY AND RECREATION



play, recreation
(activity + happy)



play (to)
(play + action indicator)

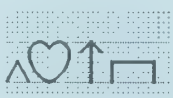


table game
(to play + table)



play room, recreation room family room
(room + to play)



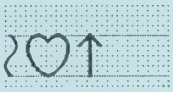
playground
(place + to play)

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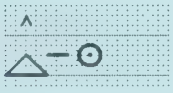
park
(flower + earth + tree)



bonfire, barbeque (Aus), campfire
(fire + happy)



match
(linear thing + fire + thing indicator)



hide (to), conceal (to)
(to make + minus + to see + action ind.)

Playing Outside



bicycle
(2 + wheel)



tricycle
(3 + wheel)



wagon, cart, truck (UK)
(vehicle + diagonal line as a handle)



skateboard
(pictograph)



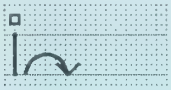
roller skates
(feet and legs + two wheels)



roller skate (to)
(roller skates + action indicator)



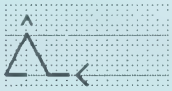
jump (to)
(curved arrow, indicating a jump + action indicator)



jump rope, skipping rope
(linear thing + to jump + thing ind.)



hop (to)
(1 + foot + action indicator)



tiptoe (to)
(toe + action indicator)



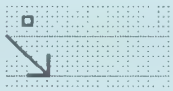
swing
(two-headed curved arrow + thing indicator)



swing (to), sway (to), rock (to)
(swing + action indicator)



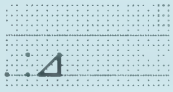
merry-go-round, carousel
(to circle + happy + thing indicator)



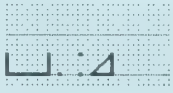
slide
(diagonal arrow + thing indicator)



seesaw, teeter-totter
(pictograph)



sand
(powder + rock)



sandbox, sandpit, sandtray
(enclosure [modified] + sand)

Playing in the Snow



snow
(water + combination of down *and* star)



snow (to)
(snow + action indicator)



snowball
(snow + ball)



snowman
(snow + man)



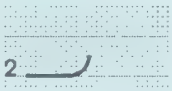
snowsuit, winter clothing
(clothing + snow)



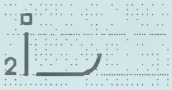
snowshoe
(pictograph of a snowshoe + legs and feet + snow)



sled, sledge (UK), sleigh, toboggan
(pictograph)



skis
(2 + pictograph of a ski)



ski poles
(2 + linear thing + ski + thing indicator)



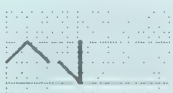
ski boot(s)
(boot(s) + ski)



ice skates
(legs and feet + two curved lines suggesting skates)



boot(s)
(protection + pointers to leg and foot)



glove(s), mitt(s), mitten(s)
(protection + hand)

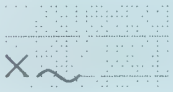
Recreation

PLAY AND RECREATION

Playing in Water



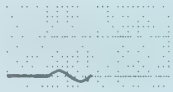
water, fluid, liquid
(symbol looks like a wave)



lake, pond
(much + water)



ocean, sea
(much + much + water)



beach, bank, coast, shore
(earth + water)



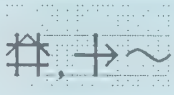
pool
(combination of enclosure *and* water)



wading pool, paddling pool (UK)
(pool + child)



swimming pool
(pool + comma + to swim)



swimsuit, bathing suit
(clothing + comma + to swim)



swim (to)
(through + water + action indicator)



splash (to)
(to hit + water + action indicator)



float (to)
(container + water + action indicator)



boat, ship
(pictograph)



sailboat, sailing boat (UK)
(pictograph)



pail, bucket
(pictograph)



shovel, spade
(pictograph)



hole
(earth [half-sized] + container + earth [half-sized])



sieve
(container + downward)

Toys and Games



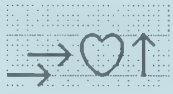
toy
(thing + play)



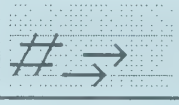
table game
(to play + table)



cards, playing cards
(paper + to play + plural indicator)



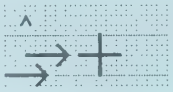
game
(competition + happy)



score
(number + competition)



compete (to), race (to)
(race + action indicator)



win (to)
(competition + gain + action indicator)



lose (to)
(opposite meaning + to win + action indicator)



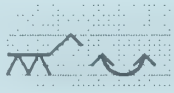
doll
(child + man-made)



puppet
(doll + hand)



toy animal, stuffed animal
(animal + man-made)



rocking horse
(horse + to rock)



ball
(pictograph)



top, dreidel
(pictograph)



kite
(pictograph)



balloon
(pictograph)



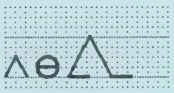
block, brick (UK)
(pictograph)

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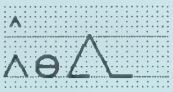
SPORTS



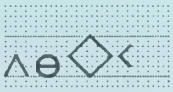
sport
(activity + healthy)



football, rugby, soccer
(sport [contract.] + ball + legs and feet)



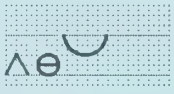
play football (to)
(football + action indicator)



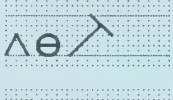
baseball
(sport [contraction] + ball + baseball diamond + pointer)



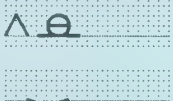
home run
(4 + baseball diamond + pointer)



basketball
(sport [contraction] + ball + container)



croquet
(sport [contraction] + ball + hammer)



bowling, bowls
(sport [contraction] + ball + earth)



badminton
(sport [contraction] + ball + wings)

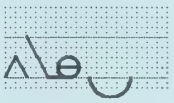


handball
(sport [contraction] + ball + hand)

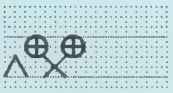


ice hockey
(sport [contraction] + sport stick + disc + ice)

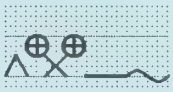
field hockey, hockey (UK)
(sport [contraction] + sport stick + ball)



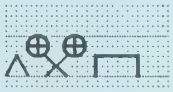
golf
(sport [contraction] + sport stick + ball + container)



tennis
(sport [contraction] + pictograph of two crossed racquets)



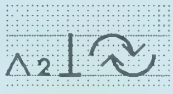
beach tennis
(tennis + beach)



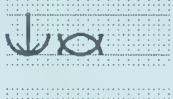
ping-pong, table tennis
(tennis + table)



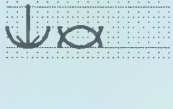
boxing
(sport [contraction] + to fight)



wrestling, judo
(sport [contraction] + 2 + person + to mix)



fishing
(to get + fish)



fish (to)
(to get + fish + action indicator)

Sports Equipment



ball
(pictograph)

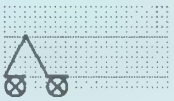


bat
(linear thing + ball + thing indicator)

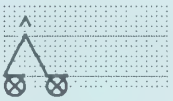
sport stick
(pictograph)



racquet
(pictograph)



roller skates
(feet and legs + two wheels)



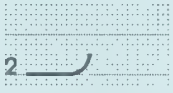
roller skate (to)
(roller skates + action indicator)



ice skates
(legs and feet + two curved lines suggesting skates)



sled, sledge (UK), sleigh, toboggan
(pictograph)



skis
(2 + pictograph of a ski)



ski poles
(2 + linear thing + ski + thing indicator)



ski boot(s)
(boot(s) + ski)



goal
(pictograph: goal with a ball in it)



flag
(pictograph)



trampoline
(platform + to jump)

gym mat
(floor covering + sport)

Recreation

SPORTS

Sports Equipment



helmet
(hat + intensity)



glove (sports), mitt (sports)
(glove + to catch)

Related Symbols



court, field
(place + sport)



gym, gymnasium
(room + activity + healthy)



race, competition, contest
(two arrows, one overtaking another)



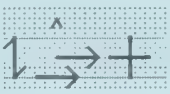
game
(competition + happy)



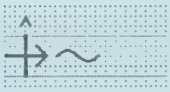
compete (to), race (to)
(race + action ind.)



win (to)
(competition + gain + action indicator)



lose (to)
(opposite meaning + to win + action indicator)



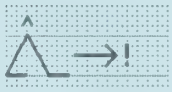
swim (to)
(through + water + action indicator)



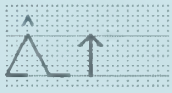
swimming pool
(pool + comma + to swim)



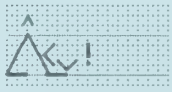
jump (to)
(curved arrow, indicating path of a jump + action ind.)



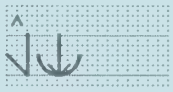
run (to)
(to walk + fast + action indicator)



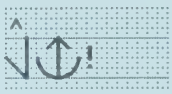
climb (to)
(to walk + up + action indicator)



kick (to)
(legs and feet + two pointers + intensity + action indicator)



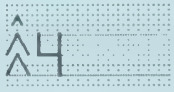
catch (to)
(hand + to receive + action indicator)



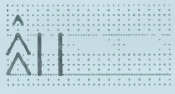
throw (to)
(hand + to give + intensity + action indicator)



hit (to)
(to touch + two intensity symbols + action indicator)



exercise (to)
(to work + health + action indicator)



practise (to)
(to work + to repeat + action indicator)



rule, regulation
(page + to guide)



instructions, directions
(page + to use)



schedule, timetable
(paper + time)



ticket, pass
(paper + to enter)



team
(group + to work + together)

Contraction of Compound Symbols

In a few cases a compound symbol was *contracted* when used as a component in another symbol:

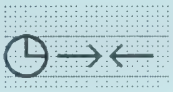
sport	basketball	visitor	welcome
			
(activity + healthy)	(sport [contraction] + ball + container)	(person + to visit)	(feeling + visitor [contraction])

Recreation

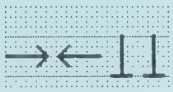
OUTINGS



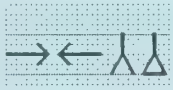
outing, excursion
(legs and feet + out of)



appointment
(time + to meet)



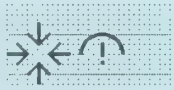
date
(to meet + person + person)



date
(to meet + man + woman)



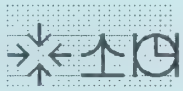
gathering, assembly, meeting, conference
(four arrows [mod.])



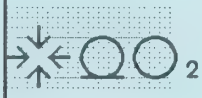
club
(gathering + interest)



meeting, assembly, conference
(gathering + discussion)



camp
(gathering + countryside + limited time)



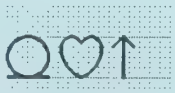
summer day camp
(gathering + day + summer)



home
(house + feeling)



hotel, motel
(building + person + to travel)



holiday, festival
(day + happy)



vacation, holiday
(unemployment + happy)



event, happening, occasion
(to be + earth [half-sized])



trip, journey, travel, voyage
(wheel + earth)



travel (to)
(trip + action indicator)



drive (to)
(car + action indicator)



ride (to)
(to sit + forward + action indicator)



visit (to)
(combination of house *and* to enter + action indicator)

Camp and Cottage



cabin, cottage, hut
(house + little)



camper, caravan, trailer
(combination of house *and* vehicle)



tent
(house + cloth)



camp
(gathering + countryside + limited time)



bonfire, barbeque (Aus), campfire
(fire + happiness)



match
(linear thing + fire + thing indicator)



stick, log
(linear thing + tree + thing indicator)



boat, ship
(pictograph)



sail
(pictograph)

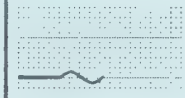


sailboat, sailing boat (UK), yacht (Aus)
(pictograph)

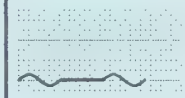


fishing
(to get + fish)

Outdoor Places to Go



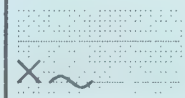
beach, bank, coast, shore
(earth + water)



island
(water + earth + water)



swamp, bog, marsh
(water + earth [half-sized])



lake, pond
(much + water)

Recreation

OUTINGS

Outdoor Places to Go



ocean, sea
(much + much + water)



harbour
(protection + water + boat)



countryside, country
(tree + earth)



garden
(flower + earth)



park
(flower + earth + tree)



zoo
(park + animal)



forest, bush, woods
(many + many + trees)



mountain
(pictograph)



hill
(mountain + little)



valley
(mountain + earth + mountain + pointer)



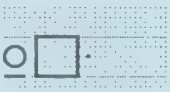
cave
(hole + mountain)



farm
(protection + field)



barn, shed (Aus), stable
(house + animal)



picnic
(food + outside)



thermos, flask (UK), cooler
(container + same + temperature)

Indoor Places to Go



home
(house + feeling)



showplace, theatre
(building + to see)



movie theatre, cinema
(building + projector)



concert hall
(building + music)



art gallery, gallery
(building + work of art + thing indicator)



museum
(building + thing + interesting + plural indicator)



library
(building + book)



shopping centre, mall, plaza
(many + public room)



store, shop
(public room + business)



restaurant, cafeteria
(public room + to eat)



cafe, coffee house
(public room + snack)



bar, pub
(public room + alcoholic drink)



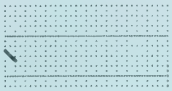
disco
(gathering + record)



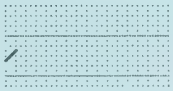
ticket, pass
(paper + to enter)

Symbols for Sentence Building

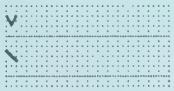
Symbols with English Equivalents



a, an, any
(diagonal line suggests a finger pointing at something unspecific)



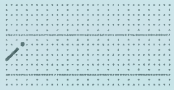
the
(diagonal line suggests a finger pointing at something specific)



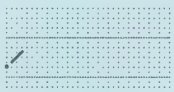
general
(a + description indicator)



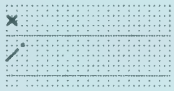
specific
(the + description indicator)



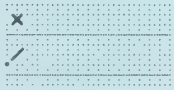
this
(the + dot)



that
(dot + the)



these
(this + plural indicator)



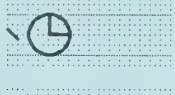
those
(that + plural indicator)



anyone, anybody, somebody, someone
(any + person)



anything, something
(any + thing)



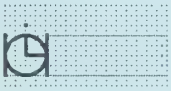
anytime, sometime
(any + time)



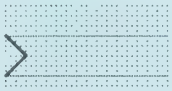
anywhere, anyplace, someplace, somewhere
(combination of any *and* place)



sometimes
(part of + time)



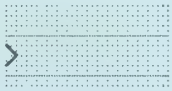
during, while
(limited time + dot)



relation (pro)
(symbol is derived from mathematical "greater than")



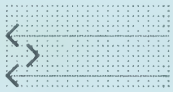
relation (con)
(symbol is derived from mathematical "smaller than")



about, concerning, in relation to, of, on
(relation [half-sized], pointing forward)



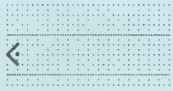
by, by means of, of
(relation [half-sized], pointing backward)



although
(three arrowheads: one passes between two opposing ones)



either
(relation [half-sized], pointing forward + dot)



or
(relation [half-sized], pointing backward + dot)



neither
(minus + either)



nor
(minus + or)



at
(position [half-sized])



purpose
(two relation symbols)



opposition
(two relation symbols, in opposite direction from **purpose**)



for (the purpose of), in order to
(purpose [half-sized])



against, opposed to
(opposition [half-sized])



for (in exchange for)
(to exchange [modified])



but, except
(vertical line stops a horizontal flowing line)



unless
(but + or)



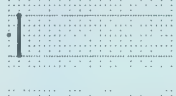
if
(question mark + either)



therefore, so, so that
(cause [half-sized])



because
(cause [half-sized] + question mark)

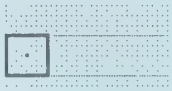


before, in front of, prior to
(dot + reference line)

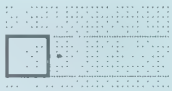


after, behind
(reference line + dot)

Symbols with English Equivalents



in, inside, interior, internal
(enclosure + dot, inside the enclosure)



out, exterior, external, outside
(enclosure + dot, outside the enclosure)



beyond, past
(outside + limits + description indicator)



into
(forward + enclosure)



out of, exit
(enclosure + forward)



out of, exit
(enclosure + downward)



over, above, superior
(dot + horizontal reference line)



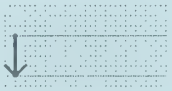
under, below, inferior
(horizontal reference line + dot)



around
(curved line + dot)



up, upward
(arrow, pointing upward)



down, downward
(arrow, pointing downward)



up and down
(up + down)



forward
(arrow, pointing forward)



backward, back
(arrow, pointing backward)



back and forth, to and fro
(forward + backward)



through
(forward + reference line)



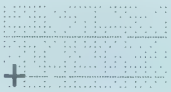
and, also, plus, too
(addition [half-sized] with crossbar on midline)



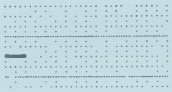
along with
(and + and)



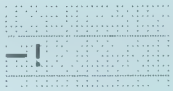
with (the help of)
(addition [half-sized] with crossbar on skyline)



belongs to, of
(addition [half-sized] with crossbar on earthline)



minus, no, without
(subtraction [half-sized])



not, negative, no
(minus + intensity)



positive
(plus + intensity)



to, toward, towards
(arrowhead + reference line [half-sized])



until, till, to
(arrowhead + reference line [half-sized]: arrowhead touches line)



from
(reference line [half-sized] + arrowhead)



away, at a distance, off
(reference line [half-sized] + arrowhead)



on
(earth [half-sized] + pointer)

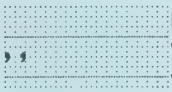
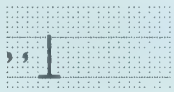
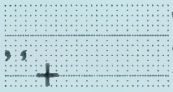
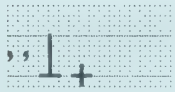
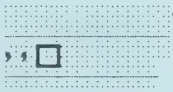


across
(vertical line with two horizontal lines [half-sized] across it)

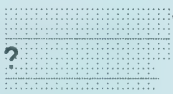
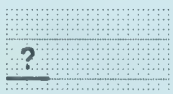
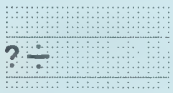
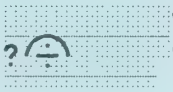
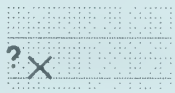
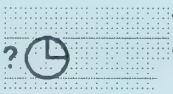
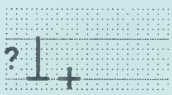
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Symbols with English Equivalents

RELATIVIZERS

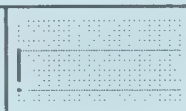
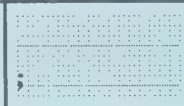
 **relativizer, how, that, what, who, whom, when, where, which** (ditto marks)	 **when** (relativizer + time)	 **who, whom)** (relativizer + person)
 **whose** (relativizer + belongs to)	 **where** (combination of relativizer *and* place)	 **whose** (who + belongs to)
 **what** (relativizer + thing)	 **which** (relativizer + part)	 **how** (relativizer + action)

INTERROGATIVES

 **what ?** (question mark)	 **where ?** (combination of what ? *and* place)	 **why ?** (what ? + cause [half-sized])
 **what thing ?** (what ? + thing)	 **which ?** (what ? + part)	 **how ?** (what ? + action)
 **what kind ?** (what ? + type)	 **who ?, whom ?** (relativizer + person)	 **how much ?, how many ?** (what ? + much/many)
 **when ?** (what ? + time)	 **whose ?** (who ?+ belongs to)	

Symbols with English Equivalents

PUNCTUATION

 **period, decimal point** (used as punctuation in symbol sentences)	 **exclamation mark** (used as punctuation in symbol sentences)	 **colon** (used as punctuation in symbol sentences)
 **question mark** (used as punctuation in symbol sentences)	 **comma** (used as punctuation in symbol sentences)	 **semicolon** (used as punctuation in symbol sentences)

Spacing Symbols in Blissymbol Sentences

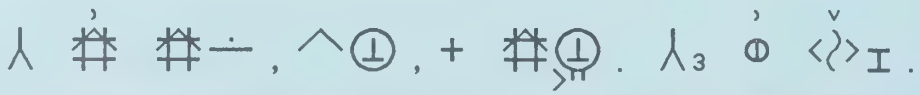
Full Reference Square
(same as **enclosure**)



Half Reference Square
(same as **page**)



In a sentence Blissymbols are separated from one another by a space equal to a full reference square (equal to four sections on the background grid). Commas, colons and semicolons are separated from Blissymbols by a half reference square. Periods, question marks and exclamation marks follow the last Blissymbol in the sentence by a half reference square. The first symbol of the next sentence begins a full reference square after the final punctuation mark of the previous sentence.



(The) man wore (a) coat, (a) hat, and (a) scarf. He was warm.

The Relativizer

The basic **relativizer** symbol '' is derived from *ditto marks* and indicates the repetition of a preceding item and/or the introduction of a subordinate clause. The basic symbol represents **who, which, that, when, where, what,** and **how.** Because of space constraints on many communication boards, this is the form that would probably appear most often.

1. In some sentences, the specific word intended would be determined by the preceding symbol:



I know (the) man *who* is speaking.

2. Depending upon the context of the message, the listener could interpret the sentence below in any of the ways listed:



I know *who* is going.
I know *when* to go.
I know *where* to go.
I know *how* to go.

If needed, additional forms of the **relativizer** symbols are available to clarify meaning:

who	which	where	when	what	how
					
(relativizer + person)	(relativizer + part)	(comb. of the relativizer *and* place)	(relativizer + time)	(relativizer + thing)	(relativizer + action)



I know *who* is going.

Question Symbols and the Relativizer

The words represented by the **question** symbols and the **relativizer** symbols are identical. The Blissymbols make the distinction clear.

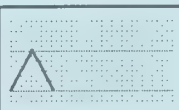
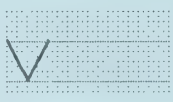


***Who* is (the) person *who* is crying?**

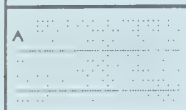
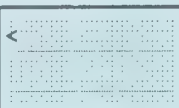
NOTE: For pronouns and possessive pronouns see **Living Things (Human Beings)**, pp. II-14-16.

Blissymbolics

THREE IMPORTANT SYMBOLS

 **thing, object** (symbol suggests the two dimensional outline of a crystal)	 **Action (The)** (symbol suggests a volcano cone)	 **evaluation, value** (cone balancing on its point, i.e., evaluations are variable)

INDICATORS

 **action indicator** (action [quarter-sized])	 **passive indicator** (action ind. on its side, pointing backward)	 **description indicator** (evaluation [quarter-sized])
 **past action indicator** (past [quarter-sized])	 **past passive indicator** (passive indicator + past action indicator)	 **description before the fact indicator** (dot + description indicator)
 **future action indicator** (future [quarter-sized])	 **future passive indicator** (passive indicator + future action indicator)	 **description after the fact indicator** (description indicator + dot)
 **conditional indicator** (question mark [quarter-sized])	 **passive conditional indicator** (passive indicator + conditional indicator)	 **thing indicator** (thing [quarter-sized])
 **past conditional indicator** (conditional indicator + past action ind.)	 **past passive conditional indicator** (passive indicator + past conditional ind.)	 **plural indicator** (multiplication [quarter-sized])
 **future conditional indicator** (conditional indicator + future action ind.)	 **future passive conditional indicator** (passive indicator + future cond. ind.)	 **thing/plural indicator** (thing indicator + plural indicator)
 **active indicator** (action indicator, turned on its side and pointing forward)		 **combine indicator** (two interlocking circles [quarter-sized])

Combined Symbols

Augmentative communicators and their instructors always have the option to create their own symbols for *personal* use.

They may choose to do this if a needed symbol is missing from their communication display, is not yet included in the published BCI Standard Vocabulary or is inappropriate for any reason e.g., culture, maturity level of user.

Combining is done by enclosing the sequenced Blissymbol components within combine indicators. The result is a *compound sequenced symbol* . See Note p. II-57.

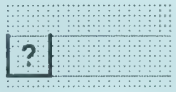
clown



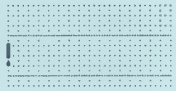
(combine indicator + person + funny + combine indicator)

Blissymbolics

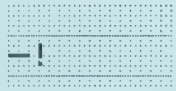
SPECIAL BLISSYMBOLS



question
(question mark + open: used to introduce a question)



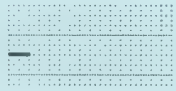
command
(exclamation mark: used to introduce an imperative statement)



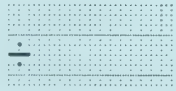
not, negative, no
(minus + intensity: used before a verb to create a negative sentence)



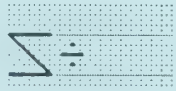
opposite meaning, opposite of
(combination of up *and* down: used to create an antonym of an associated symbol)



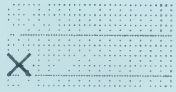
minus, no, without
(subtraction [half-sized]: used to create a meaning with negative content)



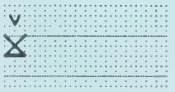
part of
(division [half-sized]: used to create a new meaning, which is *part of the meaning* of the associated symbol)



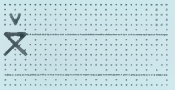
Blissymbol part
(Blissymbol + part: used to produce a new meaning, represented by *a component* of the associated symbol)



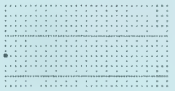
group of, much/many
(multiplication [half-sized]: used to create a collective or quantitative meaning)



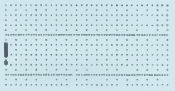
more
(horiz. reference line on midline + much/many + desc. ind.: used to create the comparative)



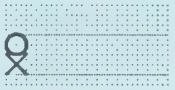
most
(horiz. reference line on skyline + much/many + desc. ind.: used to create the superlative)



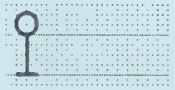
dot
(pictograph: used to create a meaning based on the relationship between the dot and another symbol)



intensity
(exclamation mark: used following another symbol to enhance meaning in a qualitative way)



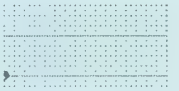
generalization
(mouth + many: used to create a symbol representing a category or class)



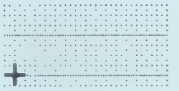
metaphor
(combination of to speak *and* flower *and* earth : used to create a meaning that is not to be taken literally)



pointer
(arrowhead: used to create a meaning by indicating a detail or a particular location on an associated symbol)



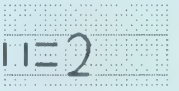
comma
(used to divide component of symbols, to clarify meaning)



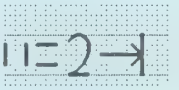
belongs to, of
(addition [half-sized] on earthline: used to create a meaning based on association)



same sound
(same + sound: used to create a homonym of an associated symbol)



similar sound, sounds like
(similar + sound)



rhyme
(similar sound + end: used to create a meaning through rhyming with an associated symbol)



similar looking, looks similar
(similar + eye)



combine indicator
(two interlocking circles [quarter-sized]: used before and after a group of symbols created by a user)

Expanding the Vocabulary Using Special Blissymbols

The following *Special Blissymbols* may be used to *expand* the BCI Standard Vocabulary. Each one can be combined with another symbol, thus changing the meaning of the second symbol in a particular way to create the new meaning. With one exception, these Special *Blissymbols* are placed *before* another symbol; the exception is **intensity**, which is placed *after* the symbol. See also the Note on **metaphor**, p. **II**-79, and the Note on **description indicators**, p. **II**-53.

Special Blissymbol	Standard Vocabulary	Modified Vocabulary
group of  See Note p. II-70.	flower	bouquet 
more  See Note p. II-85.	loud	louder 
most  See Note p. II-85.	loud	loudest 
opposite meaning See Note p. II-40.	copy	original 

Special Blissymbol	Standard Vocabulary	Modified Vocabulary
minus, without See Note p. II-43.	rain	drought
generali-zation	farm	agriculture
part (of) See Note p. II-106.	war	battle
intensity See Note p. II-80.	happy	blissful

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Wavy Lines

Raised

squirrel

Normal position

fire

burn (to)

burning

flammable, inflammable

burned, burnt

boil (to)

bonfire, barbeque (Aus), campfire

cook (to)

simmer (to), poach (to)

boil (to)

fry (to), saute (to)

deep fry (to)

bake (to), cook (to) (Aus), roast (to)

broil (to), barbecue (to), grill (to)

toast (to)

sex drive, libido, sexual urge

mango

Horizontal on skyline

cloud

cloudy

smoke

Horizontal on midline

water, fluid, liquid

wet, damp

semen

gasoline, gas, petrol (UK)

blood

bleed (to)

saliva, spit

menstruation, menstrual period, period

sweat, perspiration

sweat (to), perspire (to)

Horizontal on midline, superimposed with and/or touching other symbol components

oil, lubricant

steam

steam (to)

rain

rain (to)

rainy

hail

drink, beverage

drink (to)

soda pop, pop, soft drink

milk

milk shake

Wavy Lines


cream


grape juice


fruit juice


coffee


tea


lemonade


chocolate drink, cocoa, hot chocolate


sink, basin, bath (UK), bathtub


wash (to), bathe (to)

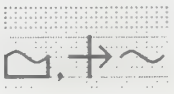

washable


ice


icy, frozen


pool


wading pool, paddling pool (UK)


swimming pool


snow


snow (to)


snowball


snowman


snowflake


freeze (to), solidify (to)

Horizontal on earthline


rice


mud


swamp, bog, marsh


island

Mirror image, vertical


medical, medically

Mirror image, horizontal


sperm

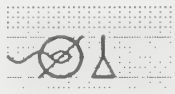

conception, fertilization, fertilized egg


fertile

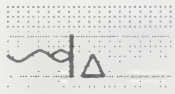

reproduction


pregnancy


pregnant

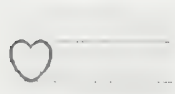

miscarriage, abortion (spontaneous)


barrier contraceptive


diaphragm


condom

Heart


feeling, emotion, sensation


heart


feel (to)

Heart

want (to), desire (to)

desirable

envious

happiness, fun, joy, pleasure

enjoy (to)

happy, glad, gladly, happily

upset

anxiety

anxious, anxiously

smile (to), grin (to)

laugh (to)

funny, humorous

hope (to)

sexual pleasure

you're welcome

thanks, thank you

thank (to)

frustration

frustrating

frustrated

harmony

welcome

empathy

sadness, sorrow, unhappiness

sad, sadly, unhappily, unhappy

shame

fear (to), afraid (to be), dread (to)

afraid, frightened, scared

terrified (to be), terror (to feel)

that's too bad (Hebrew)

sorry

regret (to)

trouble

nice

naughty

special

proud

safety, security

safe, safely, secure, securely

pain, suffering

hurt (to), pain (to feel), suffer (to)

painful, painfully, sore

ache

cramp, spasm

respect, admiration

dear

resent (to)

jealous

Heart

luck

lucky, fortunate

goodness

like (to)

good, well

great experience (Hebrew)

mean, cruel

religion

religious

belief

believe (to)

sexuality

loss

miss (to), lose (to)

humble, meek

thirsty

hungry

lonely, lonesome

dislike

dislike (to), hate (to) (Hebrew)

bad, wrong

naughty

trust, confidence

trust (to)

fidelity, loyalty

homosexuality (female), lesbianism

heterosexuality

homosexuality (male)

intimacy

intimate, close

kind, kindly

strange

surprise (to)

excitement

excited

orgasm

sexual arousal, sexual excitement

Superimposed with and/or touching other symbol components

wow!

ugh!, yuk!

See **Open Squares**

rest, comfort

rest (to)

comfortable, restful

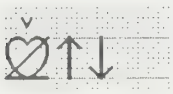
tired, exhausted, weary

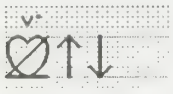
discomfort

uncomfortable

embarrassment

Heart


embarrassing


embarrassed

Cross Hatches


cloth, fabric, material, net

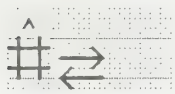

bandage, dressing

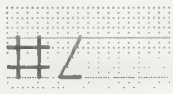
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wash cloth, flannel (UK)


blanket, duvet, quilt

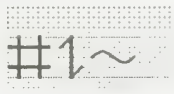

See **Right Angles**


wipe (to), dust (to), polish (to)

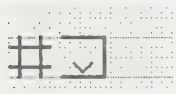

handkerchief

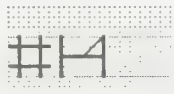
Slanted


napkin, serviette


towel


number

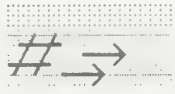

rug, carpet, mat


sheet, bedclothes, bed linen


count (to)

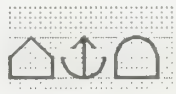

tablecloth

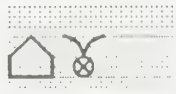

pillowcase


score

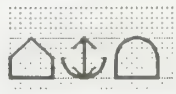
Building


house, building, dwelling, residence


school


airport


live (to), dwell (to), reside (to)


university


prison, jail


hospital, clinic


bank


movie theatre, cinema


home

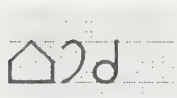

greenhouse, glasshouse (UK), hothouse


apartment, flat (Aus/UK), unit (Aus)


tent


showplace, theatre


post office


concert hall


synagogue


library

Building


museum


factory, plant


art gallery, gallery

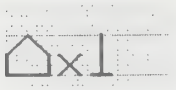

day care centre


sukkah (Hebrew)


Blissymbolics Resource Centre


resource centre


hotel, motel


residential institution, group home


church, mosque, temple


barn, stable, shed (Aus)


cabin, cottage, hut


castle, palace

Superimposed with and/or touching other symbol components


garage


camper, caravan, mobile home, recreational vehicle, trailer


yard


fence, wall


chimney

Ear


ear


hear (to), listen (to)


music


thunder


sound


sound (to)


loud, noisy


deaf

Arrows



Extended


continue (to), pass (to)

Normal-sized, upward


up, upward


rise (to), ascend (to), go up (to)


up and down

Arrows

shake (to), jiggle (to)

lift (to), raise (to)

Normal-sized, upward, superimposed with and/or touching other symbol components

gas

bubble

give (to), offer (to), provide (to)

amuse (to), entertain (to), please (to)

pay (to)

feed (to)

instruction, teaching

teach (to), instruct (to)

comfort (to), console (to)

lend (to), loan (to)

exchange (to), substitute (to), trade (to)

communication

communicate (to)

education

upward and forward

forward

advance (to), go (to)

try (to), attempt (to)

meet (to), encounter (to)

date

date

become (to)

maturation

approach

come (to), approach (to)

quick, fast, quickly, rapid, rapidly

Normal-sized, right, superimposed with and/or touching other symbol components

river

agreement

agree (to)

back and forth, backward and forward, to and fro

through

penetrate (to), go through (to)

swim (to)

visit (to)

understand (to)

it's clear (Hebrew)

into

enter (to), absorb (to), insert (to), penetrate (to)

plug

mash (to), crush (to)

push (to), shove (to)

crush (to), squeeze (to)

end, arrival, stop

stop (to), arrive (to), end (to)

Arrows

menopause



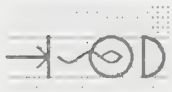
birth control



IUD, intra-uterine device



rhythm method



havdalah (Hebrew)



wait (to)



crash



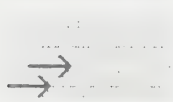
crash (to)



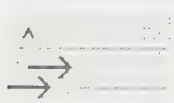
difficult, hard



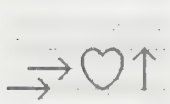
race, competition, contest



compete (to), race (to)



game



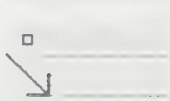
win (to)



downward and forward



slide



Normal-sized, downward

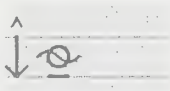
down, downward



descend (to), go down (to)



swallow (to)



choke (to), gag (to)



fall (to)



Downward, superimposed with and/or touching other symbol components

get (to), acquire (to), receive (to)



learn (to)



fishing



fish (to)



borrow (to)



crash



crash (to)



downward and backward



arrow (bent)



mirror



success



succeed (to)



backward, back



back up (to)

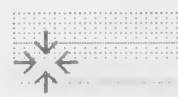


upward and backward



Short

gathering, assembly, meeting, conference



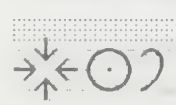
gather (to), assemble (to)



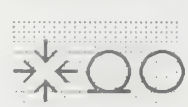
party, festival



disco



summer day camp



meeting, assembly, conference

club

camp

explosive

Arrows

explode (to), blow up (to), burst (to)

unidentified object

Curved

year

last year

this year

next year

anniversary

yahrzeit

atom

nucleus

rotate (to), circle (to), circulate (to), wind up (to)

merry-go-round, carousel

mix (to), blend (to)

See **Large top half circle**

jump (to)

turn (to)

swing

swing (to), sway (to), rock (to)

Wheels

tractor

wheel

See **Horizontal Lines**

trip, journey, travel, voyage

travel (to)

move (to)

tire, tyre (UK)

Large Circles

Centred on skyline

balloon

Between skyline and earthline

sun

shine (to)

sunny

north

northern

Large Circles

east

eastern

south

southern

west

western

spring

spring

summer

summer

autumn, fall

autumn, fall

winter

winter

winter

Superimposed with and/or touching other symbol conponents

weather

change, alteration

change (to), alter (to)

development

develop (to)

machine, appliance, engine, motor

toaster

washer

washing machine, clothes washer

crane

record player, stereo

computer

calculator

scales

tape recorder

video recorder

sewing machine

typewriter, word processor

ring

melon

light

flashlight, lantern

electric light, lamp

bright

egg, ovum

record, compact disc

head

face

chin

cheek

forehead

Large Circles


mask, false face


beard


pimple, blemish

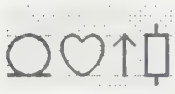

neck


day


holiday, festival


Chanukah (Hebrew)


Simchat Torah (Hebrew)

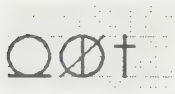

Purim (Hebrew)


Thanksgiving


Sabbath, day of rest

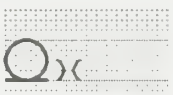

Tisha B'Av (Hebrew)


Easter

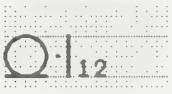

Good Friday


Yom Kippur (Hebrew)


yesterday

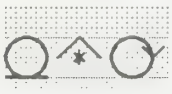

today


tomorrow



morning


birthday


New Year's Day


Tu B'Shvat (Hebrew)


Christmas

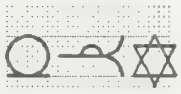

Halloween

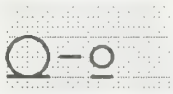


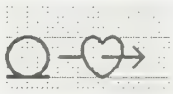
Jerusalem Day

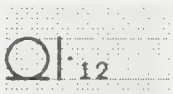

midsummer


Remembrance Day


Rosh Hashana (Hebrew)


Fast Day


Valentine's Day



afternoon


Independence Day


Shavuot (Hebrew)



Sunday



Monday



Tuesday



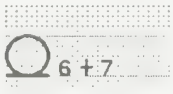
Wednesday



Thursday



Friday



weekend

Saturday

weekend

life

creature, being

live (to)

monster

eternal life, immortality

death

Large Circles



die (to), pass away (to), perish (to)



mortal



dead, deceased



new



earth



time



clock, timepiece



appointment



hour, o'clock



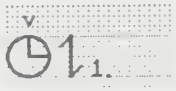
always, ever, forever



turn



watch, wrist watch



finally, at last



suddenly, abrupt, sudden



second



minute

Small Circles



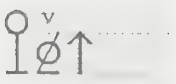
Above skyline



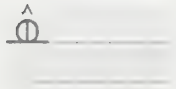
poetry



metaphor



sweet

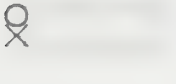


pretend (to), make believe (to)



make-believe

Between skyline and midline



generalization



direction



scenery, landscape



glassware



cutlery



furniture



girl



princess



boy, lad



prince



child, kid, youngster



young



doll



puppet



money, cash



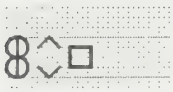
buy (to), purchase (to)



shekel

Small Circles

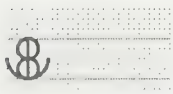




cost, price



wages, pay, salary



business, commerce, trade



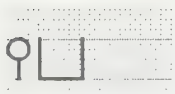
flower



stem, stalk



grow (to)



flower (wild)



flower (protected)



garden



flower (from bulb)



bulb (flower)



plant



park



zoo

On midline



mouth



(to) say , call , express, speak, talk, tell



lips



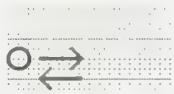
shalom (Hebrew)



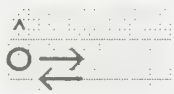
hello, greetings



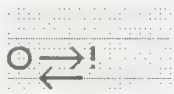
Kabbalat Shabbat (Hebrew)



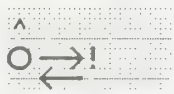
discussion, conversation, debate



discuss (to), converse (to), debate (to)



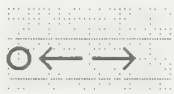
argument, dispute, quarrel



argue (to), dispute (to), quarrel (to)



explain (to)



goodbye, farewell



song



sing (to)



whistle (to)



describe (to)



yawn (to)



prayer



pray (to)



kiddush (Hebrew), blessing over wine



bracha (Hebrew), berakah, small prayer, prayer (small)



protest (to), object (to)



promise (to), pledge (to)



blow (to)



cough (to)

whisper (to)

joke (to)

apologize (to), regret (to express) (Hebrew)

shout (to)

yell (to), scream (to)

On midline, superimposed with and/or touching other symbol components

currants

spider

Small Circles

scorpion

mite, tick

eye

see (to), look (to)

eyelid

wink (to), blink (to)

cry (to), weep (to)

beautiful, attractive, good-looking, handsome, pretty

ugly, unattractive

clear, transparent

picture

puzzle (picture), jigsaw puzzle

shape, form

circle

round, circular

spiral, curl

square

square

rectangle, oblong

rectangular, oblong

triangle

triangular

diamond

oval

crescent

find (to)

read (to)

spot, mark

see you again (Hebrew)

attention

colour

white

white (CKB)

yellow

red

pink

orange

purple

green

make-up

rouge, blusher

lipstick

kohl

eye make-up

nail polish, nail varnish

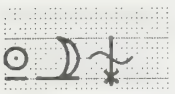
blue

brown

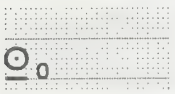
black

Small Circles

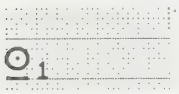




gray, grey



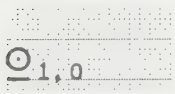
black (CKB)



red (CKB)



pink (CKB)



brown (CKB)



orange (CKB)



yellow (CKB)



green (CKB)



blue (CKB)



indigo (CKB)



violet (CKB)



news



glasses, eye glasses



blind



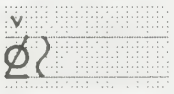
taste



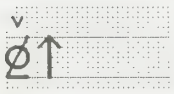
taste (to)



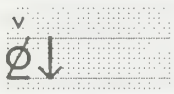
tasty, appetizing, delicious



hot , spicey



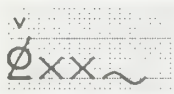
sweet



bitter



fresh



salty



sharp, acid, sour



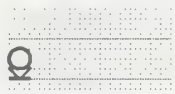
rich



food



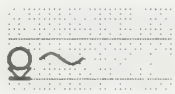
eat (to)



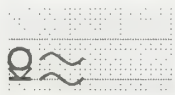
spread



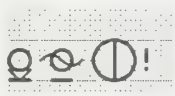
spread (to)



sauce



margarine



butter



frozen food



digestion



digest (to)



dessert



pizza



ten o'clock eating break



four o'clock eating break



honey

honey

sweet (a) (UK)

ice cream, sherbet

halvah

candy

food ball

falafel

jam, jelly, marmalade, preserves

diet (to)

Small Circles



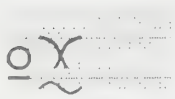

fish


pork, ham


bacon

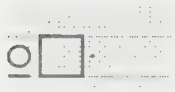

chicken


turkey


duck


goose


hummus


picnic


chocolate


chocolate spread

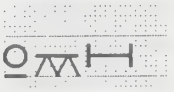

polenta


spaghetti


pie, tart


meat

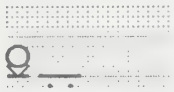

meatball


sausage, frankfurter, hot dog


beef


lamb, mutton


veal


peanut butter


tahini, sesame seed spread


sandwich


yogurt


fruit yogurt


be (to), am, are, exist (to), is


maybe, perhaps


possible, possibly

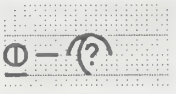

alone, just, only, solitary

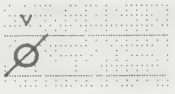

event, happening, occasion


happen (to), occur (to)


real, really


current events


accident


nonspeaking


name, label, term, title (story), title


language


telephone


combination, connection

combine (to), connect (to), link (to)

sexual intercourse, copulation

prostitution

oral sex

incest

anal intercourse

spit (to)

kiss

kiss (to)

Small Circles

grapes

raisins, currants

bow

berry

blueberry

cranberry

mountain berry, cowberry, lingonberry

strawberry

Between midline and earthline

disc, disk

pill, tablet

birth control pill, Pill (the)

soufganiya (Heb.), Chanukah cookie

coin

cookie, biscuit

hamentasch (Hebrew)

button, gripper, snap

ball

earphones

fruit

coconut

orange, citrus fruit

lime

grapefruit

tangerine, clementine, mandarin

plum, drupe

date

prune

cherries

pipe, hose, tube

vas deferens

fallopian tube

umbilical cord

bowel, intestine

urethra

smoke (to)

cigarette

pipe

baby girl

baby boy

scissors

cut (to)

musical note

baby, infant

Indicator-sized

combine indicator

raspberry, blackberry, compound berry

Half Circles

Large top half, above skyline


conscience


forgive (to), pardon (to)

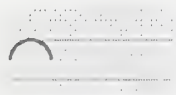

moral, good, right


immoral, bad, wrong


sin


sin (to)

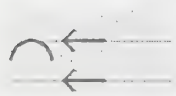
Large top half, between skyline and midline

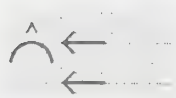

mind, intellect, reason


brain

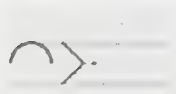

think (to), reason (to)


mental, intellectual (Aus), rational, thinking


worry


worry (to)


dream (to)


point of view


satisfaction, contentment


smart, bright,clever, intelligent

Large top half, between midline & skyline, superimposed with and/or touching other symbol components


wish (to)


let (to), allow (to), permit (to)


excuse


excuse (to)


decision


decide (to)


abstinence


idea, thought


opinion


suggestion, proposal


suggest (to), propose (to)


advice, counsel, recommendation


advise (to), counsel (to), recommend (to)


observe (to)


compare (to)


contrast (to)


careful


nonsense


nonsense!


mood


depression


seem (to)


fact


meaning, sense, significance

mean (to), signify (to)

use (to)

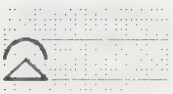
knowledge

know (to)

forget (to)

Half Circles





plan, design, method, system



plan (to), design (to)



family planning



diet



tune, melody



alpana



organize (to), arrange (to)



invent (to)



type, kind, sort



fan



correct, accurate, good, right



science



truth



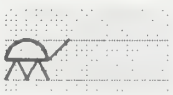
true, truly, truthful, truthfully



mathematics, arithmetic, math



beetle



turtle, tortoise



incorrect, bad, inaccurate, wrong



guilt



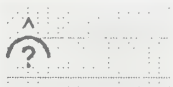
guilty



selfish, self-centred



considerate, thoughtful



doubt (to)



probable, likely, probably



guess (to), estimate (to)



interesting



important, significant



calculate (to)



lead (to), direct (to), guide (to)



govern (to), rule (to)



self-control



control oneself (to)

Large top half, between midline and earthline



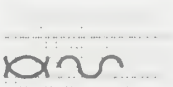
swan



fish



goldfish, guppy, pet fish



eel



starfish



shark



morning (early)

horizon

sunrise

sunset

Large right half

curved line, curve

Large bottom half

container, bowl, holder, pouch

hold (to), contain (to)

Half Circles

seminal vesicle

testicle

ovary

purse, pocketbook, wallet

carry cot (UK), basinette (Aus), capsule (Aus)

keep (to), preserve (to), save (to)

bladder

pocket

spice box (Hebrew)

battery

thermos, cooler, flask (UK)

float (to)

sieve, colander, strainer

drain (to), sift (to), strain (to)

take (to), bring (to), carry (to), move (to)

Small top half, hanging from skyline

palm tree

Small top half, resting on midline

apple

peach, nectarine

apricot

cabbage

cauliflower

broccoli

sauerkraut

brussels sprout(s)

baggage, luggage, suitcase

ice cream cone

handbag

dromedary

camel

buffalo, bison

mushroom

Small top half, hanging from midline

snake

snake (water)

Small right half

dolphin, porpoise

whale

Small bottom half, hanging from skyline

pig

Small bottom half, hanging from midline

gun, firearm

rifle, shotgun

handgun, pistol

Small left half

pliers

Half Circles


dog, animal (canine), canine


tail


puppy


wolf, dingo (Aus), wild dog


fox

Quarter Circles

Upper right, above skyline


pineapple

Upper right, between skyline and midline


wings


fly (to)

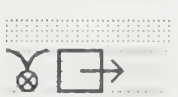

flying

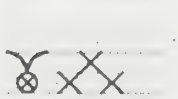

airplane, aeroplane (UK), plane


take-off, airplane take-off


landing, airplane landing


crash (airplane)


jet, jet plane

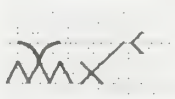

military plane


claw (bird)


angel

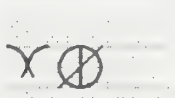

bee


fly


mosquito

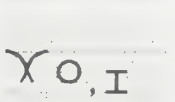

bird


hawk, eagle


vulture


parrot, myna, talking bird

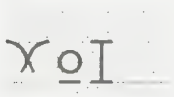

songbird, finch, thrush


parakeet, budgie


bluebird


blackbird, crow, raven


chicken, poultry


turkey


peacock


bird (wild)


bird (domestic)

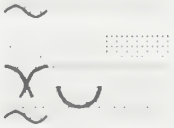

bird (protected)


ostrich


road runner


owl, night bird


duck, bird (water)


pelican

Quarter Circles

gull, sea gull



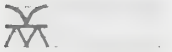
goose



penguin

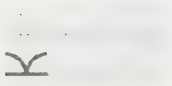


bat



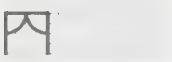
Upper right, between midline and earthline

lettuce, leafy vegetable

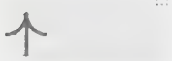


Lower right, between skyline and midline

curtains, drapes



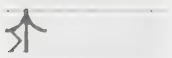
tree



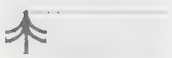
branch



trunk



evergreen tree

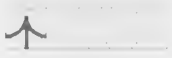


countryside, country



Lower right, centred on midline

bush, shrub



Lower right, below earthline

squash, pumpkin



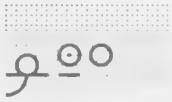
shamrock



vegetable (above ground)



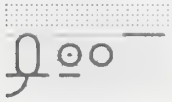
tomato



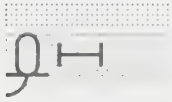
vegetable (cylinder-shaped)



eggplant



cucumber



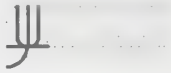
corn



popcorn



celery



Lower left

cheese



Upper left

grass



grain, cereal



field



iron



iron (to)



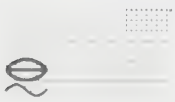
beaver



Parentheses

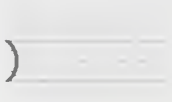
Large horizontal

oyster, clam

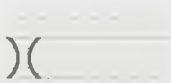


Large right

past



present



recent, recently



Parentheses





moon



banana

Large left



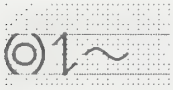
future



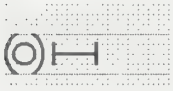
soon



bean



dried bean, chick-pea, kidney bean, pinto bean



string bean, green bean, runner bean,wax bean



peas

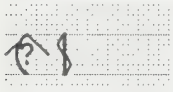
Large left, superimposed with and/or touching other symbol components



expectation, anticipation



expect (to), anticipate (to)



medical insurance



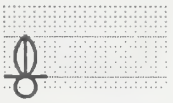
snowshoe



leaf



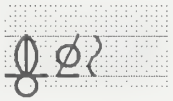
tobacco



turnip, rutabaga, vegetable (large-leafed)



beet



radish



lemon



butterfly, moth



body, trunk



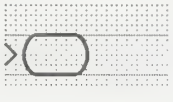
chest



breasts



crotch



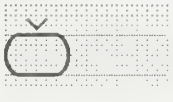
side



waist



shoulder



neck



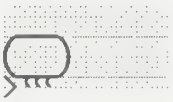
stomach



embryo



fetus



pubic hair, hair (pubic)



uterus, womb



birth



premature birth

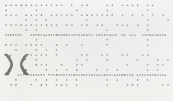


vagina

Small right



ago, then (past)



now



current

Small left



then (future)

olive

pear

avocado

bread, loaf of bread

toast

Parentheses


roti, chapati


challah (Hebrew)


cake


matzo (Hebrew)


pita


roll, bun


hamburger


hot dog, frankfurter

Indicator-sized


indicator (past action)


indicator (future action)


hair

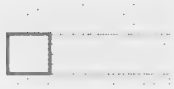

hair

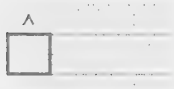

fur, coat (animal), hair (animal)

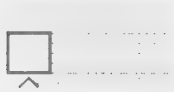

pit, stone

Squares

Large


enclosure


close (to), enclose (to), shut (to)

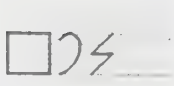

bottom, base

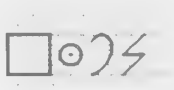

side

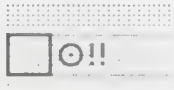

top


middle, centre


cast


radio


television

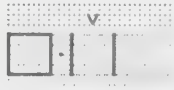

sign

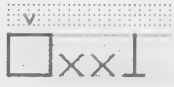

cage


mailbox, letterbox (Aus), postbox (UK)


out, exterior, external, outside


exclude (to)

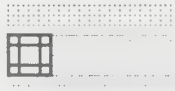

beyond, past


private


blackboard, chalk board, writing board

Large, superimposed with and/or touching other symbol components


stove, furnace, heater, oven


window (barred)


out of, exit


camera


projector


secret


sleep


sleep (to)

Squares

asleep

shell, crust

in, inside, interior, internal

include (to)

letter, mail, post

mail (to), post (to)

window

all, every, everything, total, whole

everybody, everyone

all gone

chest of drawers, bureau, dresser

drawer

book

prayer book, Siddur (Hebrew)

magazine, journal

workbook

notebook, writing book

Haggadah (Hebrew)

cupboard, closet, wardrobe

refrigerator, fridge

answer, reply

answer (to), reply (to)

solve (to)

out of, exit

exit (to)

vomit (to), throw up (to)

postcard

box, cube

Small, between skyline and midline

carry (to), move (to), transport (to)

bring (to)

send (to)

cart, carriage

rickshaw

truck, lorry (UK)

fire truck, fire engine

dump truck, tip-up lorry (UK)

Small, centered on midline

thing, object

soap, detergent

shampoo

shaving soap, shaving cream

treat

gift, offering, present

sell (to)

decoration, ornament

accessory

toy

Squares

switch, handle

switch on (to), turn on (to)

fastener, gripper, velcro, zipper

bell

goods, contents

material, raw material

absorbent material, sponge

diaper, nappy (UK)

sanitary napkin, sanitary towel (UK), tampon

wood, lumber

metal

glass

stone

concrete, cement

leather

steel

wool

waste, garbage, rubbish, trash

ashes

bowel movement, feces

move bowels (to), defecate (to)

urine

urinate (to), pee (to)

pollution

garbage can, rubbish bin (UK), trash can

ashtray

thaw (to), melt (to)

block, brick (toy) (UK)

ear mould

pull (to), drag (to), tow (to), tug (to)

Small, between midline and earthline

solid thing

sled, sledge (UK), sleigh, toboggan

Indicator-sized

indicator (thing)

indicator (thing/plural)

Diagonal

kite

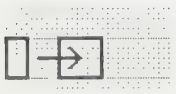
Rectangles

cassette, video

parcel, package

paper, card, document, page, written record

Rectangles


ticket, pass


calendar


schedule, time table

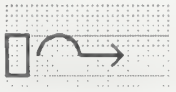

poem


story, report, tale


advertisement

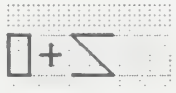

newspaper, bulletin, newsletter

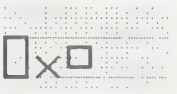

instructions, directions


rule, regulation


photograph


recipe


symbol display, symbol board, symbol chart


list, inventory


cards, playing cards


tissue, kleenex


map


valentine


toilet paper

Open Squares

Opening at bottom


door


goal

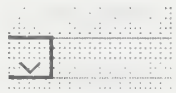

shelf

Opening at left


room

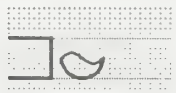

ceiling


floor


floor covering, linoleum

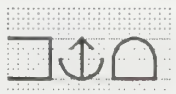

wall

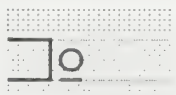

corner


bathroom, washroom

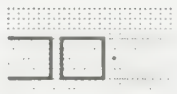

recreation centre, moadan (Israel)


elevator, lift (Aus/UK)


classroom


dining room


storeroom


balcony, porch, veranda


bedroom


library


kitchen


shelter, refuge


underground shelter


play room, family room, recreation room

Open Squares

gym, gymnasium

gym mat

office

living room, lounge, sitting/ waiting room

steam bath

sauna

shower

shower (to)

Opening at top

opening

open (to)

open

anus

public

fireplace

freedom, liberty

free, freely

awake

puberty

watch (to)

watchful, alert

voyeurism

search (to)

question

ask (to), inquire (to), question (to)

problem

test, assessment

request (to)

One line extended

public room

laundromat, launderette, laundry (UK)

clinic

baby clinic

store, shop

grocery store, food store, supermarket

restaurant, cafeteria

family planning clinic

barber shop, beauty shop

bar, pub

cafe, coffee house

Open Rectangles

Wide, bottom open

badge



table, platform, stage



board



edge



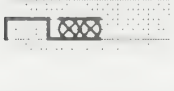
trampoline



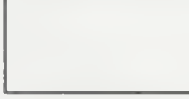
ironing board



desk, work table



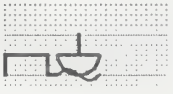
platform (train)



bus bay



pier



Wide, top open

brush



brush (to)



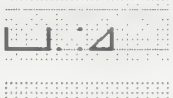
toothbrush



brush teeth (to)



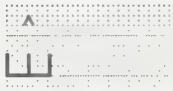
sandbox, sandpit (Aus), sandtray (UK)



comb



comb (to)



rake



pot, kettle, pan



Tall, top open

glass



cup, mug



Tall, left side open

effect, result



Right Triangles

Right angle pointing up

make (to), manufacture (to), produce (to)



man-made



art



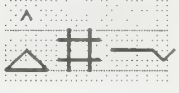
work of art, art object



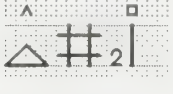
weave (to)



crochet (to)



knit (to)



prepare food (to), cook (to)



fix (to), repair (to)



craft



handmade object



hide (to), conceal (to)



Right angle pointing right

cause



Right Triangles

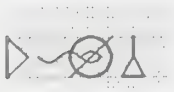




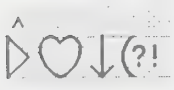
cause (to)



caused by (to be)



abortion (induced)



terrorize (to)



injure (to), hurt (to)



kill (to), murder (to)



raise (to), grow (to)



exhibitionism, indecent exposure



show (to), demonstrate (to)



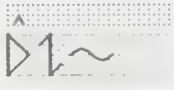
improve (to)



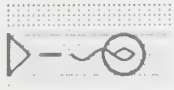
artificial respiration



artificial respiration (to give), resuscitate (to)



dry (to)



sterilization

Right angle pointing right, small

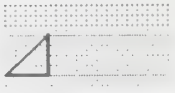


therefore, so



because

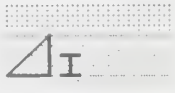
Right angle pointing to lower right



mountain



volcano



hill



mine



stone, rock



jewel

Right angle pointing to lower left

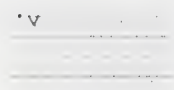


valley

Dots



Dot above the skyline

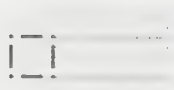


indicator (description before the fact)

Dot on the skyline



bone



structure



skeleton

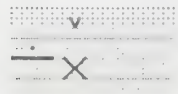


joint

Dot between skyline and midline



over, above, superior



too much, too many



division



divide (to)



part, bit, piece, portion, part of



some, any



flame

Dots


sometimes


tongue


word

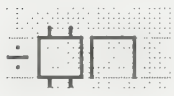

feather


nipples


cervix


clitoris


province, county, region, state


mezuzah (Hebrew)

Dot on midline


dot

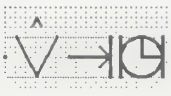

bindi, tika


again


there


ability, capability, capacity, potential


patience


patient (to be)

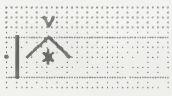

disability, handicap

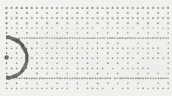

can, be able (to)


before, in front of, prior to


early


engaged


pregnant


around


either

Dot between midline and earthline

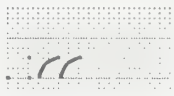

that


those

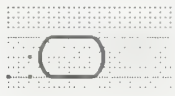
Dot on earthline


powder, dust


nuclear fallout


flour


cornmeal


talcum powder

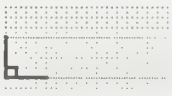

sand

Right Angles

Two sides of the large square


stamp


fold (to), pleat (to)


right angle


space

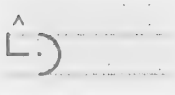
Right Angles

Two sides of the small square


arm

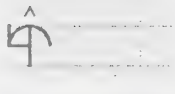

wrist


elbow

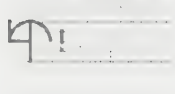

hug (to), cuddle (to) (Aus), embrace (to)


muscle

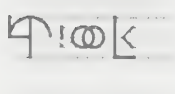

strong, powerful

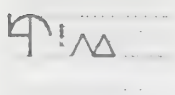

force (to), compel (to)

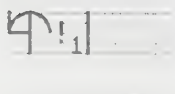

must, forced to (to be)

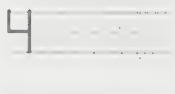

abuse, assault, violence

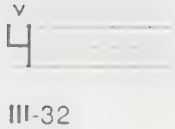

child abuse


rape


sexual abuse, sexual assault, sexual violence


self-abuse


health


healthy, well


person (sitting)


sit (to)


ride (to)


stairs, steps

Right angle, two sides of the indicator-sized square


tray

Two sides of the rectangle


person (standing)


stand (to)


back

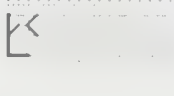

buttocks, bottom


genitals, sex organs

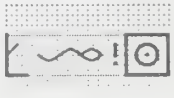

genitals (female), sex organs (female)


genitals (male), sex organs (male)


masturbation


erection, erect penis


ejaculation


nocturnal emission, wet dream


man, male


penis


left


right


key


lock (to)


person (lying down)


lie down (to)

Two sides of the right triangle, pointing up, between skyline and midline


protection

roof, cover

protect (to), cover (to), shelter (to), take care of (to)

earmuffs

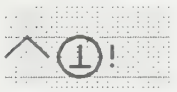
hat, cap, hood

Right Angles





skull cap, kipa, yarmulke



helmet



day care



peel



scrotum



schach (Hebrew)



skin



bib



vulva



apron, coverall, smock, overall



foreskin



glove(s), mitt(s), mitten(s)



glove (sports), mitt (sports)



shoe(s)



boot(s)



ski boot(s)



slipper(s)



sandal(s)



animal skin, hide, pelt



harbour



clothing, clothes, garment



dress (to), wear (to)



raincoat



snowsuit, winter clothing



dressing gown, housecoat, robe



scarf



costume, disguise



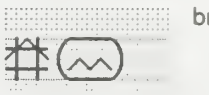
dress up (to), disguise (to)



shirt, blouse



undershirt



bra, brassiere



pyjamas, nightgown, nightie (Aus), pajamas



coat, jacket, jumper (Aus/UK), sweater



sari



dhoti, lungi



pants, jeans, slacks, trousers



stocking(s), pantyhose, sock(s), tights



underpants, briefs, panties



shorts

underwear, underclothes

dress

skirt

slip, petticoat

swimsuit, bathing suit, swimming costume (Aus, UK)

tallit (Hebrew)

suit

marriage

marry (to)

Right Angles





divorce



divorce (to)



cone



farm



parent



birth



daughter



niece



sister



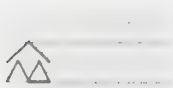
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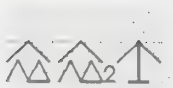
nephew



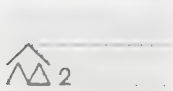
brother



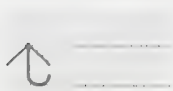
offspring, child



cousin



sibling



umbrella



mother, mom, mommy, mum



father, dad, daddy, papa



relative, relation



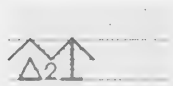
wife



stepmother



grandparent



aunt



uncle



grandmother, grandma, granny



grandmother (maternal)



grandmother (paternal)



grandfather, granddad, grandpa



grandfather (maternal)



grandfather (paternal)

Pointing up, between midline and groundline



illness, disease, person (sick), sickness



sick, ill



rabies

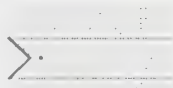


attack (of illness)

Pointing right



relation (pro)



position



purpose



several



person (weak)

weak

drunk

Pointing down

alcoholic drink, alcoholic beverage, liquor

beer

wine

Right Angles

Pointing left


relation (con)


opposition, counter purpose

Small, pointing up


crystal


salt


for (in exchange for)


pointer (used as a part of other symbols)

Small, pointing right


about, concerning, in relation to, of, on


for (the purpose of), in order to


at


here


to, toward, towards

Small, pointing left


although


by, by means of, of


heat


heat (to)


hot


warm


cold


cool, chilly


nuclear radiation


or

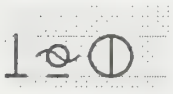

against, opposed to

Lines on a Base

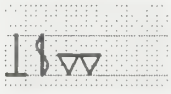
Vertical

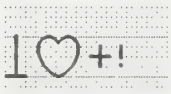

person, human being, individual

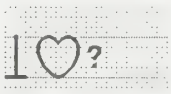

fire fighter, fireman


milkman


doctor, physician


dentist


friend


stranger


resident


neighbour


teacher, instructor


minister, pastor, preacher, priest, rabbi


visitor, guest


student, pupil


singer

Lines on a Base

ghost, phantom

painter

musician

sinner

counsellor, adviser

architect

composer

manager, secretary

leader, director, guide

conductor

boss, supervisor

pilot

barber, hairdresser

secretary

letter carrier, mailman, postman

maker, manufacturer, producer

terrorist

police officer

nurse

baby sitter

farmer

couple

soldier, warrior

paratrooper

astronaut, cosmonaut

worker

social worker

bus driver

driver, chauffeur

taxi driver, cab driver

sweetheart, lover

sailor

helper, aide, assistant

clerk

volunteer

I, me, myself

we, ourselves, us

my, mine

our, ours

you (sing.), yourself

you (pl.), yourselves

your, yours (sing.)

your, yours (pl.)

he or she, him or her

they, them, themselves

his or her, his or hers

their, theirs

spouse, cohabitant

Lines on a Base


family

Slanted


need, person (needy)

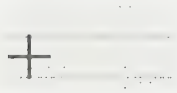

need (to)


necessary, necessarily

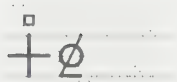

therapist

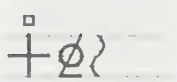
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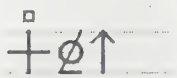
Vertical, large

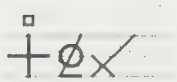

addition, gain


add (to), gain (to)

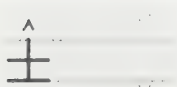

flavouring, condiment, seasoning


pepper

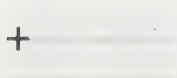

sugar, sweetener


vinegar


chocolate flavouring, cocoa powder


own (to), possess (to)

Vertical, small


with (the help of)

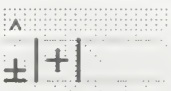

and, also, plus, too


along with


positive


yes!


have (to)


share (to)


belongs to , of (possessive), possessive (the)

Other vertical crosses


cross


Christian


across


cross (to)

Diagonal, large


multiplication


multitude


multiply (to)

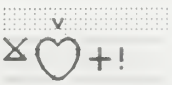
Diagonal, small


choice, selection


choose (to), pick (to), select (to)


favourite


more


better

Crosses

longer

group of, much/many,quantity

much, many, very

flood

lake, pond

angry, angrily, mad

village

kibbutz

moshav

acne

often, frequent, frequently

rich, wealthy

expensive

dirty, soiled

meal

snack

breakfast

lunch, dinner

supper, dinner

grove

orchard

shopping centre, mall, plaza

sentence, clause, phrase

group

class

choir, chorus

musical group

government

family

army

navy

team

band, orchestra

staff, service

ocean, sea

city

forest, bush, woods

public (the)

public

chew (to)

harassment

sexual harassment

storm

snowstorm

train

traffic

war

Crosses

Indicator-sized crosses


indicator (plural)


wand


star


twinkle (to), shine (to), sparkle (to)


Moslem


comet

Diagonal, small, extended


knife, sword


cut (to)


sharp


point


puncture (to), prick (to)


operation


vasectomy

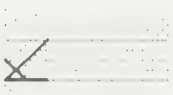

tubal ligation


shaver, razor


shave (to)


harvest

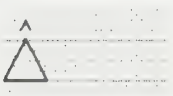

chop (to)


plough

Isosceles Triangles

Large


creation, nature


create (to)


creative


Star of David

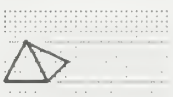

Jewish


See **Symmetric Acute Angles**


danger


dangerous


emergency


pyramid

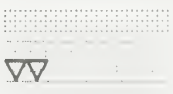
Small, resting on midline


rocket, spaceship

Small, resting on earthline


female (in compound symbols)


See **Vertical lines, small**


teeth


bite (to)


cavity

Symmetric Acute Angles

Large, pointing upward, above skyline


God


Lakshmi


Kali


Vishnu


Brahma


Ganesh


Shiva



Durga

Large, pointing upward


Action (The)


legs and feet


walk (to), go (to)


hip


leg


heel


foot


kick (to)


toe


tiptoe (to)


climb (to)


run (to)


dance (to)


outing, excursion


roller skates


roller skate (to)


ice skates

Large, pointing downward


evaluation, value


evaluate (to)


evaluate as good (to) (Hebrew)


approve (to)

Small, pointing upward, between skyline and midline


work, employment, job


work (to)


contraction (uterine)


labour


earn (to)


exercise (to)


practise (to)

Small, pointing upward, between midline and earthline


1. action, act, activity, deed; 2. male (in compound symbols)


do (to), act (to)


active, actively


play, recreation

play (to)

tease (to)

table game

Symmetric Acute Angles

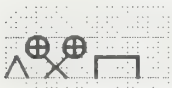




behaviour



tennis



ping-pong, table tennis



beach tennis



basketball



baseball



handball



football, rugby, soccer



play football (to)



croquet



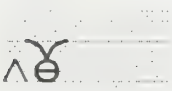
bowling, bowls



mistake, error



hobby, pastime



badminton



finish (to), complete (to)



prepare (to)



ready, prepared



sport



obey (to), comply (to)



boxing



ice hockey



field hockey, hockey (UK)



golf



wrestling, judo

Small, pointing upward, between midline and earthline, superimposed and/or touching other components



See **Vertical lines, small**



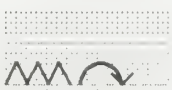
gender, sex



sexual



insect, bug



grasshopper



termite



flea



ant



insect (pest)

Indicator sized



indicator (action)



indicator (active)



indicator (description)



indicator (description after the fact)



indicator (past passive)



indicator (future passive)

indicator (passive)

indicator (passive conditional)

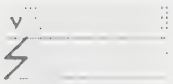
indicator (past passive conditional)

indicator (future passive conditional)

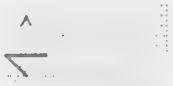
Asymmetric Acute Angles

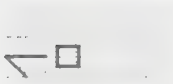
Left half of a right triangle pointing up


electricity

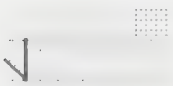

electric, electrical

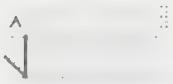
Left side and hypotenuse of a right triangle pointing down

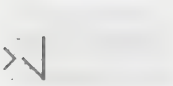

point (to), indicate (to)

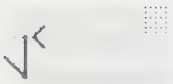

sign

Lower side and hypotenuse of a right triangle pointing left


hand

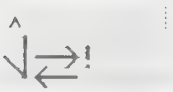

touch (to), feel (to)


thumb

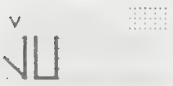

finger

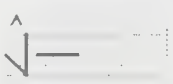

throw (to)


stroke (to)

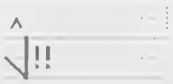

rub (to), massage (to)

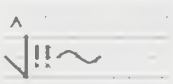

catch (to)

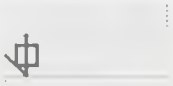

smooth


take away (to), remove (to)


soft


hit (to)


splash (to)


tool, instrument


crutches, crotches (Aus)

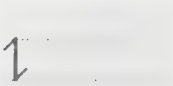

utensil

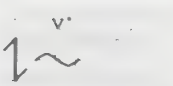

musical instrument

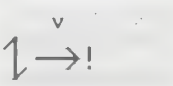

screwdriver

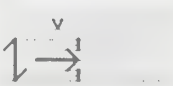

signature stamp

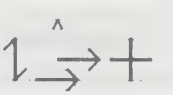
Hypotenuse and half of top leg of right triangle pointing left


opposite meaning, opposite of


dry


slow, slowly


easy


lose (to)

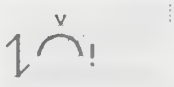

dark


old


never

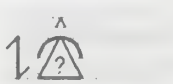

old, elderly


lose (to)


stupid, dumb


remember (to), recall (to)


lie


lie (to)


certain, sure


follow (to)


none, nothing

unfold (to)

cold

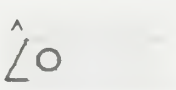
cool , chilly

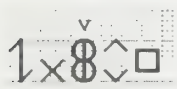
fewer, less

Asymmetric Acute Angles

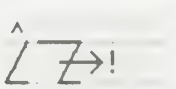

few, little

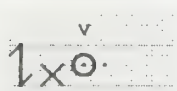

hate (to)


breathe (to)


cheap, inexpensive


narrow

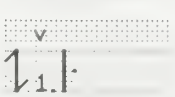

sneeze (to)

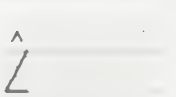

clean


last, final


smell, odour

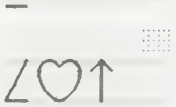

peace


preceding


smell (to)


hard, firm

Left half of large iscosceles triangle


perfume, fragrance

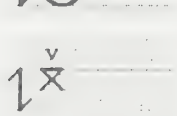

empty (to), void (to)


nose


smell bad (to), stink (to)


empty


smell (to)

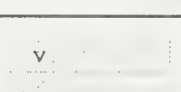

fewest, least

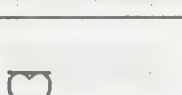

breath

Horizontal Lines

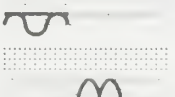


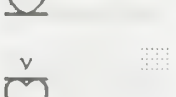
Extended horizontal lines

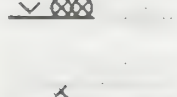

wiggly


peace, serenity

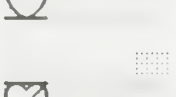

road


caterpillar


peaceful, serene

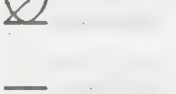

bus, coach

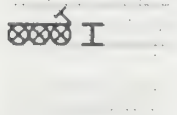
Large horizontal line on skyline


disturbance

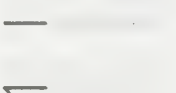

van, mini-bus


sky

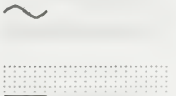

world

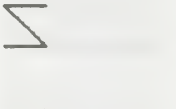

worm


fog


Blissymbol, Blissymbolics


wiggle (to), squirm (to)


environment


Blissymbol part

Horizontal Lines

lightning

air, atmosphere

wind

blow (to)

burp (to), belch (to)

Large horizontal line on midline

subtraction, loss

subtract (to), remove (to), take away (to)

Caesarean section, C-section

hysterectomy

pit (to)

peel (to)

circumcision

clean (to)

Large, on midline, superimposed and/or touching other symbol components

vehicle, carriage, railway car

car, automobile, motor vehicle

drive (to)

ambulance

crash (automobile)

taxi, cab

fill (to)

full

sailboat, sailing boat (UK), yacht (Aus)

under, below, inferior

weight

weight (a)

weigh (to)

heavy

animal, beast

paw, hoof

frog, toad

amphibian

pet

raccoon

bear

kangaroo, animal (marsupial), marsupial, wallaby

koala

opossum, possum

lizard, animal (snake-like), reptile

chameleon

dinosaur

animal (wild)

toy animal, stuffed animal

animal (domestic)

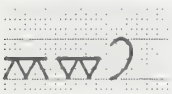
animal (protected)

rat, animal (rodent), rodent

gerbil, guinea pig, hamster

Horizontal Lines





rabbit, hare



mouse



gopher, ground hog



chipmunk



elephant



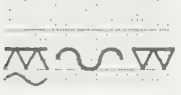
skunk



monkey, ape, gorilla, primate



animal (water)



alligator, crocodile



muskrat



hippopotamus



deer, animal (cervine), cervine



reindeer, caribou



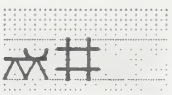
moose, elk



animal (bovine), animal (ovine), bovine, ovine



horn(s), antler(s)



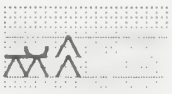
sheep



calf



cow



ox



bull



bull (fighting)



cat, animal (feline), feline



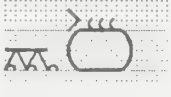
claw (animal)



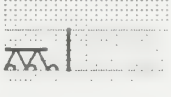
leopard



kitten



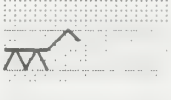
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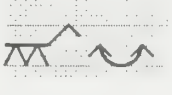
tiger



giraffe



horse



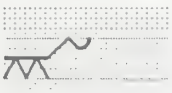
rocking horse



zebra



donkey, mule



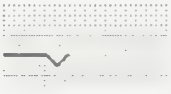
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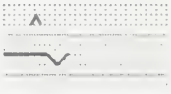
horn



shofar (Hebrew)



hook, hanger



hang (to), hook (to)

Large, on earthline



earth, ground, land

place, area, location, space

put (to), locate (to), place (to)

base camp

court, field

playground

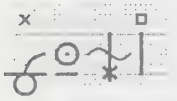
cemetery

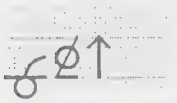
vegetable (below ground)

potato

Horizontal Lines

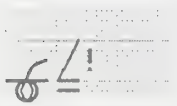

potato chips, crisps (UK), potato crisps (UK)


french fries, chips (UK)


sweet potato, yam


bulb

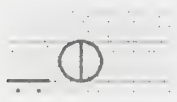

onion, vegetable (bulb)


garlic


green onion, scallion, spring onion (UK)

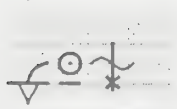

roots

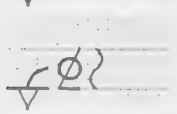

seed


egg

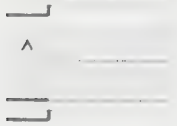

nut

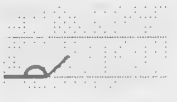

carrot, vegetable (wedge-shaped)


parsnip


horseradish


grave


bury (to)


snail


lawn, meadow


night


last night


tonight


tomorrow night


Lag B'Omer (Hebrew)


evening


evening of Sabbath (Hebrew)


beach, bank, coast, shore


street


skateboard

Short, on skyline


adult, grown-up


adult, mature


teenager, adolescent, young adult, youth


eyebrow

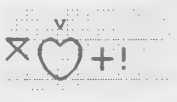

increase (to), enlarge (to)


big, large


temperature


thermometer


most, maximum


best


usually, usual


longest

high, tall

nail

shovel, spade

dig (to)

Short, between skyline and midline

same, equal

equal (to)

Horizontal Lines





same sound



different, another, other

Short, on midline



minus, no, without



raw, uncooked



amenorrhea



infertile, sterile



silence



silent



quiet, quietly



stay (to), remain (to)



poor



celibacy, chastity



virginity



flat



neither



nor



no one, nobody



enough



unemployment



vacation, holiday



infinite, limitless



not, negative, no



no!



nowhere, no place



low, short



pin



decrease (to), reduce (to)



little, small



love, affection



love (to)



lovable



but, except



unless



break (to), crack (to), fracture (to), tear (to)



breakable, fragile



broken



sore, wound



smash (to), grind (to), shatter (to), splinter (to)

Short, on earthline



on

bridge, overpass

translate (to)

hole

cave

Indicator-sized

maple leaf

Vertical Lines

Large


line, stripe


linear thing


linear, straight


match


screw


straw, drinking straw


candle


ribbon, tape


departure

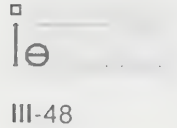

go (to), depart (to), leave (to)


return


return (to), come back (to), reverse (to)


jump rope, skipping rope

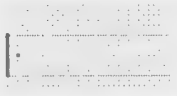

tie, necktie


bat


stick, log


belt, sash


wire, cable


after, behind


late


between


fasten (to), attach (to), join (to)


together


dental floss


cane, stick , walking stick


electric wire, electric cord, flex (UK)


parallel


strap, string, velcro


other, other person, person (other)


copy, duplicate


repeat (to), copy (to), duplicate (to), reproduce (to)


thin, slim


limits, limitation


deep


fat, thick


wide


hearing impaired


speech impaired


visually impaired


mentally handicapped

physically disabled

Large, superimposed and/or touching other symbol components

broom

perpendicular

beginning, start

begin (to), start (to)

limited time, interval, period

Vertical Lines

during, while

rest period, break

guard duty

military reserve duty

adolescence

citizen guard duty

month

Kislev (Hebrew)

Av (Hebrew)

Tamuz (Hebrew)

Tevet (Hebrew)

Nissan (Hebrew)

Adar (Hebrew)

Elul (Hebrew)

Shvat (Hebrew)

Tishrai (Hebrew)

Cheshvan (Hebrew)

Sivan (Hebrew)

Iyar (Hebrew)

January

October

November

December

February

March

April

May

June

July

August

September

needle

sew (to)

Three-quarter length

account

commandments

Small, between skyline and midline

chair, seat

rocking chair

bench, pew

toilet

wheelchair

electric wheelchair

armchair

bed

pillow, cushion

bottle, flask

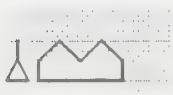
woman, female

Vertical Lines


female, feminine


transvestite (female)


foster mother


queen


I, me , myself (f.)


we, ourselves, us (f.)

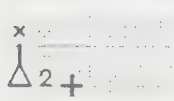

my, mine (f.)


our, ours (f.)

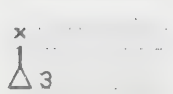

you , yourself (f.sing.)

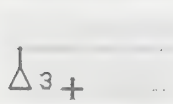

you, yourselves (f.pl.)

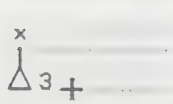

your, yours (f.sing.)


your, yours (f.pl.)


she, her, herself


they, them, themselves (f.)


her, hers


their, theirs (f.)


man, male


male, masculine


transvestite (male)


Jesus Christ, Christ


king


I, me, myself (m.)


we, ourselves, us (m.)


my, mine (m.)


our, ours (m.)


you, yourself (m.sing.)

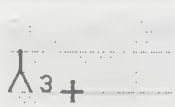

you, yourselves (m.pl.)


your, yours (m.sing.)


your, yours (m.pl.)

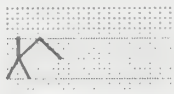

he, him, himself


they, them, themselves (m.)

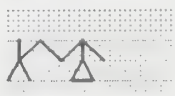

his


their, theirs (m.)

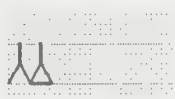

citizen


husband


couple


stepfather


family


couple


boat, ship

sack, bag

sleeping bag

backpack, rucksack

lobster, crab, crayfish

person (kneeling)

kneel (to)

ankle

knee

Vertical Lines

menorah (Hebrew)

crawl (to)

Small, at midline

near, almost, close, nearly

similar, like

similar sound, sounds like

rhyme

similar looking, looks similar

foster parent

away, at a distance, off

far, distant

from

can, cylinder

film

movie, film

length

long

measurement

ruler, measuring stick, tape measure

measure (to)

injection, inoculation, shot

syringe

hypodermic needle

short

pepper

Small, between midline and earthline

it

they, them, themselves

until, till, to

its

their, theirs

flag

country, state

Denmark

Iceland

Ireland

United Kingdom

international

Finland

Israel

Netherlands (The), Holland

Canada

Sweden

sail

royal

shallow

fight (to), combat (to)

Vertical Lines

Indicator-sized vertical line

megillah (Hebrew)

ladder

etrog (Hebrew)

Torah (Hebrew)

top, dreidel (Hebrew)

Slanted Lines
(Diagonal of a Rectangle)

Diagonal of a vertical rectangle

hearing aid

seesaw, teeter-totter

help, aid, assistance, support

hoist, lift

electromagnetic radiation

aid (an), support (a)

charity

energy

help (to), aid (to), assist (to), serve (to), support (to)

support (to)

nuclear energy

brace, calliper, splint

Reverse diagonal of a vertical rectangle

fuel

artificial insemination

sport stick

coal

stander

pail, bucket

microwave oven

walker

Diagonals of a horizontal rectangle

microwave (to)

fertility counselling

helicopter

power

Diagonal Lines

Diagonal of a square, extended

Diagonal of a square, centred on skyline

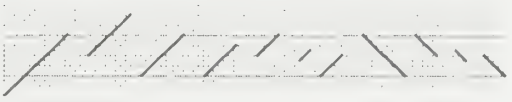
Diagonal of a square, between skyline and earthline

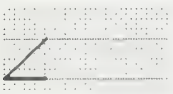
saw

tank

destroy (to), cross out (to), delete (to)

Diagonal Lines





angle



cannon, gun



chemical product



medicine, medication



spermicide



poison



paint, dye



paint (to), dye (to)



toothpaste



sun screen, sun lotion



deodorant



plastic



glue, adhesive, paste



glue (to), paste (to), stick (to)

Three-quarter sized diagonal



fork

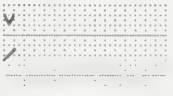


hammer, gavel, mallet

Small diagonal centred on midline



the



specific



this



these

Small diagonal between midline and earthline



spoon



racquet

Reverse diagonal of a square



pen, pencil



write (to)



crayon, coloured pencil, marker



draw (to), sketch (to)



eyebrow pencil



signature

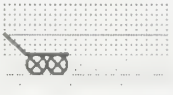
Reverse diagonal, small, between skyline and midline



couch, chesterfield, sofa



pitcher, jug, kettle, pot



wagon, cart , truck (UK)



baby carriage, buggy, pram, stroller



hedgehog

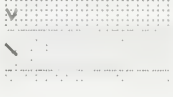


porcupine

Reverse diagonal, small, centred on the midline



a, an, any



general



anytime, sometime



ever



anything, something

anyone, anybody, somebody, someone

anywhere, any-place, some-place, somewhere

Diagonal Lines

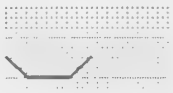
Reverse diagonal, small, between midline and earthline



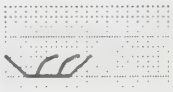
soup, broth



salad



dish, plate, platter



cereal

International Alphanumeric Characters

At midline



relativizer



when



what



which



who, whom



whose



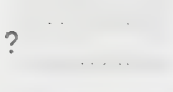
whose



how



where



what ?



when ?



pardon ?



what kind ?



what thing ?



why ?



which ?



if



who ?, whom ?



whose ?



how much ?, how many ?



how ?



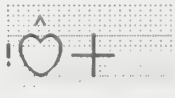
where ?



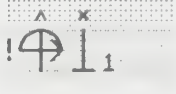
1. command; 2. intensity (used as a symbol part)



please



mazel tov (Hebrew), best of luck, congratulations



let's

Resting on earthline



period, decimal point



comma



colon



semicolon



question mark



exclamation mark



alphabet, letters



zero

International Alphanumeric Characters

one

unit, example, sample

once

each, every

hop (to)

self, oneself, person (self)

first, primary

next

decade

century

two

pair

bicycle

both

tfillim (Hebrew)

skis

ski poles

second

three

tricycle

lulav (Hebrew)

four

home run

five

Chumash (Hebrew)

six

seven

week

last week

this week

next week

Passover (Hebrew)

Sukkot (Hebrew)

eight

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percent

cent

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yen

Indicator-sized

indicator (conditional)

indicator (past conditional)

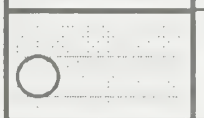
indicator (future conditional)

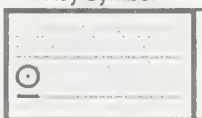
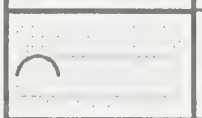
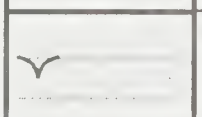
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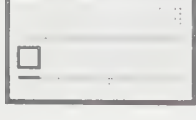
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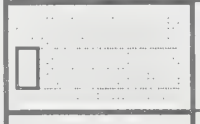
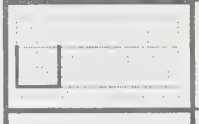
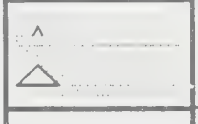
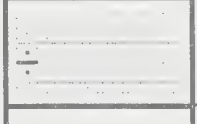
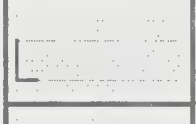
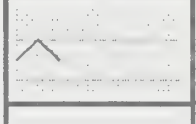
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Key Symbol	Glosses
	fire
	water, fluid, liquid
	drink, beverage
	medical, medically
	feeling, emotion
	cloth, fabric, material, net
	house, building, residence
	ear
	up, upward
	forward
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	backward, back
	gathering, assembly, meeting

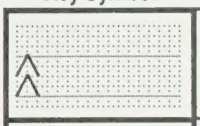
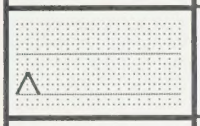
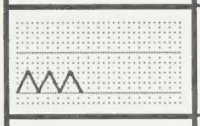
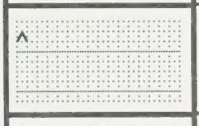
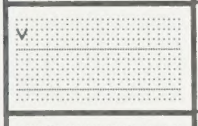
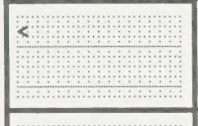
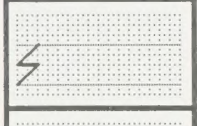
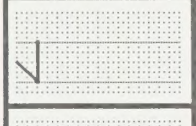
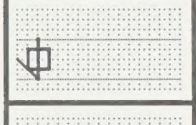
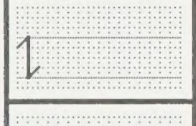
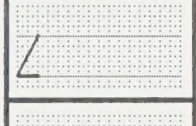
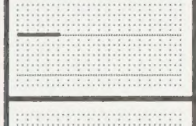
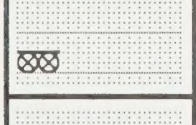
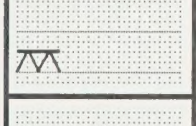
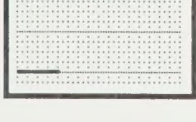
Key Symbol	Glosses
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	sun
	machine, appliance, engine, motor
	light
	day
	life
	head
	time
	child, kid, youngster
	money, cash
	flower
	mouth
	eye

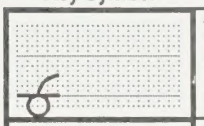
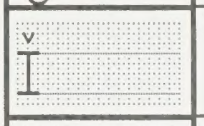
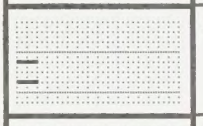
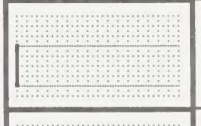
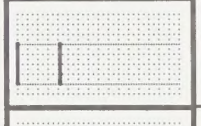
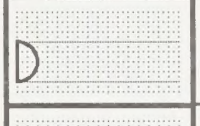
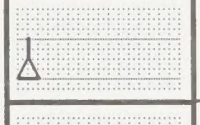
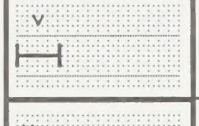
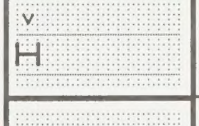
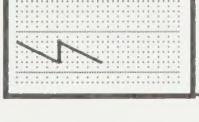
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	colour
	taste
	food
	be (to), am, are, exist (to), is
	combination, connection
	fruit
	musical note
	combine indicator
	mind, intellect, reason
	knowledge
	container, bowl, holder, pouch
	wings
	bird

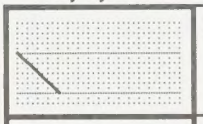
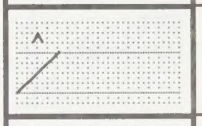
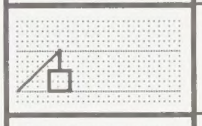
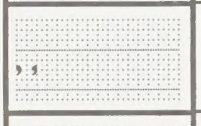
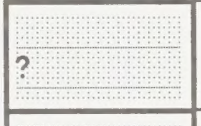
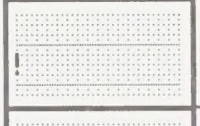
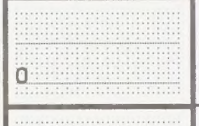
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	tree
	vegetable (above ground)
	grass
	past
	future
	leaf
	body, trunk
	bread, loaf of bread
	indicator (past action)
	indicator (future action)
	hair
	enclosure
	book
	thing, object
	material, raw material

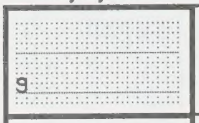
Key Symbol	Glosses
	waste, garbage, rubbish, trash
	indicator (thing)
	paper, card, document, page
	room
	opening
	public room
	make (to), manufacture (to)
	cause
	part
	dot
	arm
	person (standing)
	protection
	clothing, clothes, garment
	pointer

Key Symbol	Glosses
	about, concerning, of, on
	for (the purpose of), in order to
	by, by means of, of
	against, opposed to
	person, human being, individual
	with (the help of)
	and, also, plus, too
	belongs to , of (possessive)
	group of, quantity, much/many
	indicator (plural)
	knife, sword
	creation, nature
	God
	legs and feet
	evaluation, value

Key Symbol	Glosses
	work, employment, job
	action, act, activity, deed
	insect, bug
	indicator (action)
	indicator (description)
	indicator (passive)
	electricity
	hand
	tool, instrument
	opposite meaning, opposite of
	nose
	sky
	vehicle, carriage, railway car
	animal, beast
	earth, ground, land

Key Symbol	Glosses
	vegetable (below ground)
	big, large
	same, equal
	minus, no, without
	little, small
	line, stripe
	limits, limitation
	month
	woman, female
	man, male
	long
	short
	it
	help, aid, assistance, support
	electromag-netic radiation

Key Symbol	Glosses
	pen, pencil
	destroy (to), cancel (to), cross out (to)
	chemical product
	relativizer
	what ?
	intensity
	zero
	one
	two
	three
	four
	five
	six
	seven
	eight

Key Symbol	Glosses
	nine
	indicator (conditional)